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of

Portsmouth, Rhode Island.

"Once in the flight of ages past,
There lived a man:—and who was he?
Unknown the regions of his birth,
The land in which he died unknown:
His name has perished from the earth."

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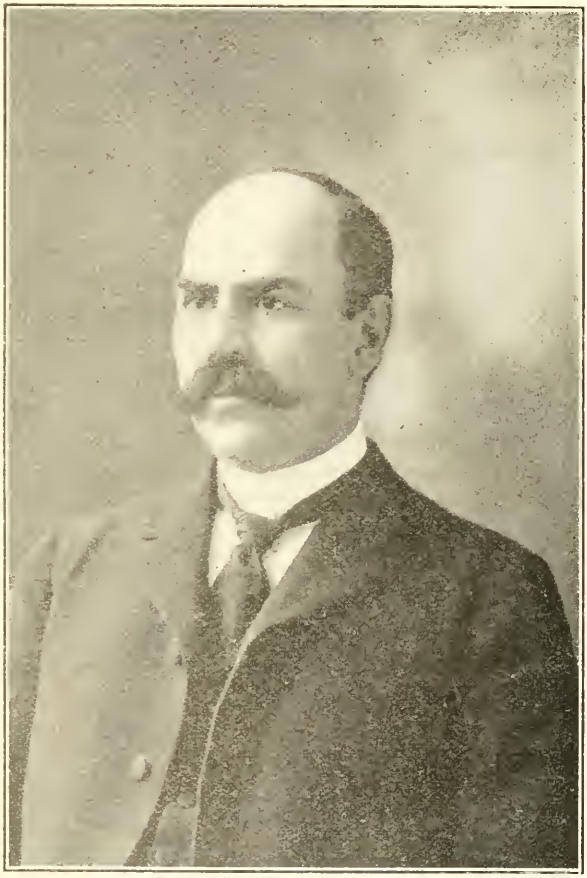

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PREFACE.

This fragment of the general history of the Wait family is published by the author as his contribution to what he hopes may some day become a complete genealogy of the Wait family. It is the best arrangement that the author can make from the records at hand, which have been collected at the expense of considerable time, search and correspondence, and is a brief statement of what is known of the Rhode Island branch of the Wait family. It has been compiled from a mass of correspondence collected by the author and by Henry E. Waite, West Newton, Mass., and from a little book by D. Byron Wait, now out of print. The author also acknowledges himself indebted to John W. Wait, of Sandy Hill, N. Y. In 1875-78 Henry E. Waite received many letters about the Rhode Island family, which he prudently preserved, and this booklet contains the substance of those records, which could not at this day be reproduced. It is believed that with the records herein preserved, as a guide, members of the Rhode Island family will, by a study of the deeds and wills in the probate and town clerks' offices of southern Massachusetts and Rhode Island, be enabled to trace their respective genealogies with little trouble.

In anticipation of the reprinting of this booklet and the ultimate incorporation of it in a general history of the family, the reader is earnestly requested to supply omissions and to communicate any correction or additions that he may be able to contribute, in order to make the record complete. An unimportant fact may in some cases prove of great value.

Members of the Wait family are particularly requested to give such facts as are within their knowledge.

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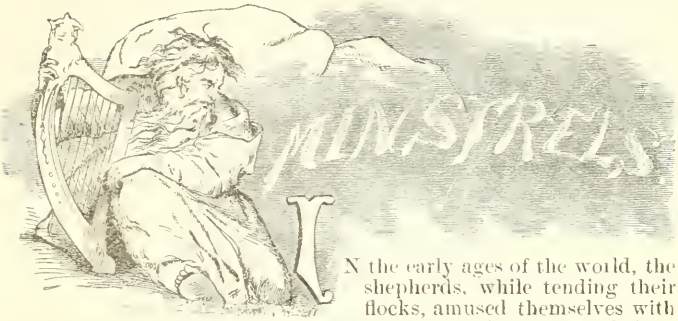

IN the early ages of the world, the shepherds, while tending their flocks, amused themselves with rustic songs, accompanied by rude instruments; in process of time, when the human mind became more enlarged and cultivated, and music extended its influence from the field to the city, minstrels were employed to sing the mysteries of religion or the valiant deeds performed by heroes in defense of their country. In Egypt the inhabitants were divided into castes or tribes, confining each profession to one family, and as music was for many ages confined by them to the priesthood and to religious purposes, the Hebrews, who adopted many of their religious rites, made both priests and minstrels hereditary in the tribe of Levi. Elisha called for a minstrel to tranquillize hismind and awaken inspiration previous to his prophesying. David, with his harp, was called to charm away the evil spirit from Saul; and afterwards, during his reign as King of Israel, minstrels were held in the highest estimation.

> "The harp the monarch minstrel swept,
> The king of men, the loved of heaven.
> * * *
> It softened men of iron mould,
> It gave them virtues not their own;
> No ear so dull, no soul so cold,
> That felt not, fired not to the tone,
> 'Till David's lyre grew mightier than his throne!"—BYRON.

From Homer we learn that minstrels were esteemed and caressed by kings, princes and heroes of Greece. The philosopher, Pythagoras, introduced the art from Egypt into Italy, and the minstrel pomp of the Hebrew and Pagan worship was adopted in the Roman empire during the reign of Constantine. The ancient minstrels, under the name of bards and scalds, were admired and revered, from the earliest ages, by the people of Gaul, Britain, Ireland and the North. The Celtic Bard was a priest of the Sun, one of the three sacred orders of Druids, and the philosopher, historian, prophet, and poet of his age; but the Romans ruined their rank and power, and the majority of them were subsequently attached to the court of some prince or chieftain, accompanying their patron to the field of battle to behold his exploits; and in time of peace they sang his praises, dilating upon his noble descent, his wealth and warlike deeds. The Teutonic nations were remarkable for their love of music; the German tribes,

in their primeval forests, attributed the origin of the art to Odin or Woden, the father of their gods; the skill of their scalds was considered as something divine, and their persons were deemed sacred; their attendance was solicited by kings, and they were everywhere loaded with honors and rewards. In short they were held in that rude admiration which is ever shown by an ignorant people to such as excel them in intellectual accomplishments. Herald Harfager, the Scandinavian King, had at his court four principal scalds, who were his counsellors, and to whom he assigned the highest seats at his table. These minstrels also accompanied the armies in war, and were with the king in battle, that they might witness his prowess and describe it more fully in their songs,—

"O, great was Denmark's land in time of old!
Wide to the South her branch of glory spread;
Fierce to the battle rushed her heroes bold,
Eager to join the revels of the dead:

The Bard was there with spirit-stirring breath,
His bold heart quivering as he swept the wire,
And poured his notes amidst the ensanguined heath,
While panting thousands kindled at his lyre:

And when the memorable day was past,
And Thor triumphant on his people smiled,
The actions died not with the day they graced;
The Bard embalmed them in his descant wild.

And their hymned names through ages uneffaced,
The weary hours of future Danes beguiled;
When even their snowy bones had mouldered long,
On the high column lived the imperishable song.

And the impetuous harp resounded high,
With feats of hardiment done far and wide,
While the bard soothed with festive minstrelsy,
The chiefs reposing after battle-tide."—OEHLENSCHLAGEE.

In England the early Saxons were passionately fond of music. The most famous monarchs and the most eminent saints gloried in their skill as harpers; Alfred the Great assumed the privileged character of a minstrel to explore the Danish camp.

To the troubadours or minstrels of South France we are indebted for the most noted romances of the middle ages. They were the delight of the brave and the favorites of the fair, because they celebrated the achievements of the one and the beauties of the other. The character of knight and troubadour were frequently united in the same person, and that their exertions were rewarded with something more substantial than empty praises, may be gathered from the historical fact, that "when Charlemagne had brought all countries under his dominion, he made over and divided the whole of Provence among the luxurious minstrels."

The Norman minstrels, descendants of the Scandinavian Scalds and the Troubadours of South France, were very superior in birth, wealth and education to their Anglo Saxon brethren. The profession was aspired to by the most gallant soldiers, and followed particularly by the younger sons and brothers of great houses. The courts of princes swarmed with minstrels; the earls also and great barons, who, in their castles, emulated the pomp and state of royalty, had their minstrels, who formed part of their household establishment and travelled with them; they were permitted to enter the rich monasteries

and the mansions of the nobility without the least ceremony ; here at the feasts which succeeded the chase or the tournament, the minstrels would display their skill, and receive the honors and recompense to which their exertions were deemed entitled. Sometimes they were rewarded by presents of coursers and their trappings ; sometimes by rich clothing and money ; as they were heralds of men's reputations, all, of any rank, were glad to secure by fair words and liberal gifts, a place of note in those rolls of fame, which it was the business of minstrels to emblazon. The Normans carried their songs with them into England, and in the army of William the Conqueror, was the celebrated minstrel, Taillefer, who was a warrior as well as a musician. He was present at the battle of Hastings, and appeared at the head of the Conqueror's army, where he commanded the onset, and died fighting valiantly, and singing the old songs of France.

> "Taillefer, who sang full well, I wot,
> Mounted on steed that was swift of foot.
> Went forth before the armed train,
> Singing of Roland and Charlemagne,
> Of Oliver and the brave vassals
> Who died at the pass of Roncesvals."
>
> *Le Brut d' Angleterre, by Robert Wace.*

The minstrel was a regular and stated officer in the court of the Anglo-Saxon Kings. Domesday book, A. D. 1086, records the bounty of William, the Conquerer to Berdic, his minstrel, who was granted lands in Gloucestershire. In the reign of Henry I., A. D. 1102, Roger, or Raherus, the king's minstrel founded the priory and hospital of St. Bartholomew in London, and became the first prior. Matilda, queen of Henry I., expended all her revenues and oppressed her tenants to pay her minstrels. Under the romantic king, Richard I., or Cœur de Leon, the great hero of chivalry, and also the distinguished patron of poets and minstrels, being himself of their number, the minstrel profession seemed to have acquired additional splendor. The important service which he received from one of his own minstrels in rescuing him from captivity, is a matter of history. The impoverishment of the nobles by the expenses of the Crusades, and other warlike enterprises, and by their extravagance and love of display, together with the increased power of the burghers, which compelled them to adopt a more retired mode of life, all tending to greatly diminish the number of minstrels and other retainers at their courts. On the part of the minstrels, exclusive privileges and long continuance of public favor inflated their pride and made them insolent, and the large gratuities collected by them, induced many idle and dissipated persons to assume the character of minstrels to the disgrace of the profession. These evils became at last so notorious that King Edward II., in 1315, suppressed their performances by a public edict, except in only the king's minstrels and those in the retinues of the nobility ; notwithstanding which an incident is recorded by Stow, in the ensuing year, which shows that minstrels still retained the liberty of entering at will into the royal presence, and had something peculiarly splendid in their dress. Under Queen Elizabeth the minstrels lost the protection of the opulent, and their credit sunk so low in public estimation, that they were included in the Statutes against vagrants and beggars ; the only vestige of them now remaining is to be found in the blind fiddlers and ballad singers wandering about the country.

The word "Wait," anciently spelled Wayghte or Wayte, is derived from the old high German *wahten* (to keep watch); it is common in the sense of guard or watchman to all the Teutonic languages, the German *wacht*, Dutch *vaght*, Swedish *wakt* and English *watch*. When used as a verb, its meaning is "to stay in expectation of"; as a noun, it denotes a minstrel watchman.

The original Waytes were found in England immediately after the Norman conquest, only among the retainers of the King, Princes and great Barons; but their rank gradually degenerated with that of the other orders of minstrels, until now the name is applied only to those itinerant musicians who, in most of the large towns in England, go round the principal streets at night, for some time before Christmas, play two or three tunes, call the hour, then remove to a suitable distance, where they go through the same ceremony, and so on until four or five o'clock in the morning. This custom seems to have been profitable, for the records of the Police Court of London show that a leader of the Waits applied to it to protect him from the infringement of his privileges. The post seems to have been no sinecure; it was productive and profitable—so much so that it could be purchased. It was under the control of the high constable and the court of burgesses. It being discovered that other Waits were going about the town and usurping the privilege in the most fashionable quarters, the matter became serious. The leader of the Waits, having paid for his rights, asked that they should be protected, and by the decision of the magistrates his right was recognized and he was promised support. It is very common at Christmas time for wandering musicians to make their rounds during the night and discourse popular airs calculated to inspire the inhabitants to charitable thoughts (?) for which they expect a gratuity on "boxing day." The following is a verbatim of a printed bill left by a party of these wandering minstrels:

"To the ladies and gentlemen residing in Brunswick, Tavistock and Euston-squares, Burton-crescent and neighbourhood. Ladies and Gentlemen—With sensible recollections of by-gone patronage, your Wandering Melodists, THE CHRISTMAS WAITS, beg to offer their best compliments on the approaching festival. The band on this occasion, as heretofore, has been numerous and select, and trust to merit that liberal diffusion of favors which has enlivened our

homes and cheered our hearts for a series of years. We trust our sprightly notes of melody, awaking sweet Echo on the dull ear of Night, has stole on your slumbers and again lulled you to repose with the soothing candenza of the lullaby."

"Mr. Putnam and J. Lawless, violins, 6 Swinton Place, Bagnigge Wells Road and 33 Middlesex Street, Somers down; J. Sawyer, Clarionet, 25 Hertford Street, Somer Town; E. Smith, Double Bass, 16 Little Coram Street; J. Smith, violoncello; T. Shambler, flute, 7 Swinton Place, Bagnigge Wells Road."

"Having redeemed our pledge, we shall have the honour of paying our personal respects in the holyday week. In respectfully taking our leave, we beg to remind you, that as some who are pretenders to the Magic Wand of Apollo, it may be necessary to say that we will produce a book with a printed label, containing our names, instruments and addresses as above."

When surnames were generally introduced into England in the eleventh century, those who held an office in most cases added its designation to their Christian names, thus: Richard, the minstral-watchman, who was known as Richard le (the) Wayte, afterward contracted to Richard Wayte. The name has since been spelled Wayte, Wayt, Wayght, Waight, Wait, Waitt, Wate, Weight, Waiet, etc.

In A. D. 1075, William the Conqueror gave the Earldom, City and Castle of Norwich, in England, to "Ralf de Waiet" (son of "Ralf," an Englishman, by a Welsh woman), who married Emma, sister to Roger, Earl of Hereford, cousin of the Conqueror, etc.

The earliest record found and the source from whence all by the name seem to trace their origin, was Ralf de Waiet. There is no question among genealogical gleaners but that Ricardus Le Wayte, of the county Warwick, who was in 1315 Escheator of counties Berkshire, Wilts, Oxford, Bedford and Bucks, was a direct lineal descendant of Ralf. Thereafter the name was written Wayte almost exclusively, until the different ones of the name came to New England, when that was discarded and Wait or Waite used instead, the latter form arising from a custom to add *e* to words as in *thinke*, *finde*, *putte*, *boate*, etc.

Our kindred, though distant, are pretty freely distributed over the central portion of Southern England, extending

thence to Northern Wales, the land from which our progenitors came to the New World, and very often in the responses to our inquiries of those of the same name have we received the same reply, showing that tradition, which investigation proves to be a fact, has handed down well that portion of our own history. "We descended from three brothers who came from Wales." Richard, the eldest of those brothers, was born in 1596, Gamaliel in 1598, and Thomas in 1601, and they came to Boston in 1634, the same year the ballot box was first used in the colony, and Richard was at one time marshal there.

The different branches of the Wait family contribute approximately the same traditions of the early life of their ancestors. In each there are some essential and prominent features, from which it may be deduced, and with reasonable certainty, that our ancestor, Thomas Wait, of Rhode Island, came originally from Wales and that there were three brothers, who were farmers and herdsmen by occupation. That on one particular occasion they were driving a herd of cattle to some market place in Wales and were beset by a so-called press-gang. By their daring and skill they managed to get away, sold their cattle and immediately went on board a vessel bound to Plymouth, N. E., America, at which port they safely arrived. Two settled in Plymouth colony and the third settled in Rhode Island. The above is doubtless true in most particulars. It was Thomas who went to Portsmouth, R. I., probably in 1638.

They were cousins to Thomas Wayte, who was a member of Parliament, and one of the judges who signed the warrant in 1649 for the execution of Charles the First. The late Morrison Remick Waite, Chief Justice of the United States, traced his lineage through Henry Matson Wait, Remick Wait and three Thomas Waits to Thomas Wayte, the Regicide.

Like very many of the ancient families of Britain, ours had its "coat of arms" down to the middle of the seventeenth century. When Charles II. ascended the throne in 1660, those who were instrumental in putting his father to death were brought to the scaffold (except John Dixwell, William Goffe and Edward Whalley, who fled to America), and Thomas Wayte, being one of that number, either by act of Parliament or edict from the throne, tradition says,

the family was deprived of that insignia. From the descriptions handed down several coats of arms have been engraved which give the essential elements of the original.

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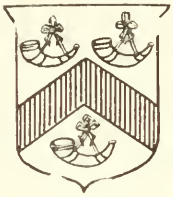

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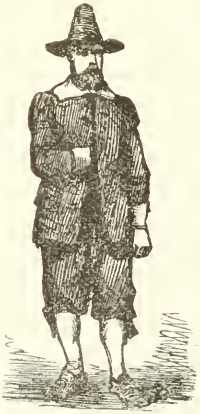
The Crest is described as "a bugle horn, stringed, sable, garnished," and the Arms as "Argent, chevron gules between three bugle-horns, stringed, sable, borne by the name WAYTE. The mottoe of the Wait family is "*Pro aris et focis*," meaning "For our homes and altars."

The bugle portrays the musical element of the family and tends to support its traditions that the original Waytes were musician attendants to the King and his Knights.

——, WAYTE,
Of England, 11th Century.



——, WAYTE,
Of New England, 17th Century.

The earliest settlers of New England, of the name, were: Richard, born 1596, of Boston, 1634, Marshal of the colony;

Gamaliel, his brother, born 1598, of Boston; Thomas, born 1601, of Portsmouth, R. I., 1639; Richard, born 1608, of Watertown, Mass., 1637; John, born 1618, of Malden, Mass., 1644; Thomas, of Ipswich, Mass., 1658; Alexander, of Boston, 1637; George, of Providence, R. I., 1646; John, of Windsor, Conn., 1649; Benjamin, of Hatfield, 1663.

On Feb. 5,1631, the ship "Lyon," with twenty passengers and a large cargo of provisions, came to anchor in Nantucket Roads. On the 8th she reached Boston, and the 9th, which had been set apart as a day of fasting and prayer for the little colony sorely stricken by famine, was made a day of thanksgiving and praise for its sudden deliverance. Among those who on that day first united their prayers with the prayers of the elder colonists was the young colonist, Roger Williams.

Little is known of the early history of Roger Williams, except that he was born in Wales about 1606; attracted early in life the attention of Sir Edward Coke, by his skill in taking down in shorthand sermons and speeches in the Star Chamber. He was sent by the great lawyer to Sutton Hospital, now known as the Charter House, and went thence in the regular time to Oxford, took orders in the Church of England, and finally embraced the doctrine of the Puritans. Besides Latin and Greek, which formed the principal objects of a university course, he acquired a competent knowledge of Hebrew and several modern languages, for the study of which he seemed to have had a peculiar faculty. His industry and attainments soon won him a high place in the esteem of his religious brethren, and although described by one who knew him as "passionate and precipitate," he gained and preserved the respect of some of the most eminent among his theological opponents. When this "godly and jealous young minister" landed in Boston he found the territory which had long been known as Massachusetts in the possession of two distinct colonies—the colony of Plymouth, founded in 1620, by the followers of John Robinson, of Leyden, and known as the colony of Separatists, men who had separated from the Church of England, but were willing to grant to others the same freedom of opinion which they claimed for themselves, and the colony of Massachusetts Bay, founded ten years later by a band of intelligent Puritans, many of them men of position and fortune, who, alarmed by the variety of new opinions and doctrines which

seemed to menace a total subversion of what they regarded a religion, had resolved to establish a new dwelling place in a new world, with the Old and New Testaments for statute books and constitution. It was to this iron-bound colony that Roger Williams brought his restless, vigorous and fearless spirit.

In 1635 Roger Williams was sentenced to banishment, but through the efforts of his friends the sentence was not carried out. In the following winter Williams fled into exile and was warmly received by Massasoit and Canonicus, chiefs of Indian tribes, the former of whom gave him a tract of land on the Seekonk river. The Governor of Plymouth having claimed jurisdiction over that part of the Seekonk, Williams and five friends in the summer of 1636 went down the river and up the Providence river and began a settlement which they named Providence.

The freedom of conscience enjoyed at Providence drew many people thither from Boston and other towns in Massachusetts. Williams reserved no political power to himself, but seemed to be actuated solely by the desire to make happy all those around him. He was strenuous in asserting his own views, but he and his associates resolutely refrained from interfering with the rights of others.

Ann Hutchinson was another strong character that had come to New England. She was of a high and subtle spirit and taught that salvation was the fruit of grace, not of works. It is easy to conceive how such a doctrine might be perverted by logical interpretation and religious standing made independent of moral character. She was a woman deeply imbued with the controversial temper of her age.

In the autumn of 1837, under the leadership of William Coddington, John Clarke, Ann Hutchinson and fifteen others, left Boston with the intention of settling on Delaware Bay. They called on Roger Williams during the journey and were treated with such winning hospitality that they accepted his invitation to settle in the land of the Narragansetts, from whose chief, Miantonomah, they purchased the island of Aquidneck (Peaceable Island), now Rhode Island, and in March, 1638, they laid the foundation of a new town, Pocasset, the Indian name for that locality, near north end of the island; the name "Portsmouth" was given to the settlement at a meeting Jan. 5 or 15, 1639.

William Coddington, who had been a crown magistrate at Salem, was chosen Governor of the Rhode Island colony. Thus, two flourishing settlements were planted, each having its own government. Absolute liberty of conscience prevailed, and the persecuted flocked thither from the other colonies. These people were so-called non-conformists and were Quakers, and they formed a plantation which, with Providence and Newport, obtained from England in Mar., 1644, a charter under the title of "The Incorporation of Providence Plantations in the Narragansett Bay in New England." Coddington and his party drew up and signed the following compact: "We, whose names are underwritten, do swear solemnly, in the presence of Jehovah, to incorporate ourselves into a body politic, and as He shall help us, will submit our persons, lives and estates, unto our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings and Lord of Hosts and to His holy Word of Truth, to be guided and judged thereby," and Coddington was chosen chief ruler, with three assistants, which comprised the council, and the motto of their seal was "*Amor Vincit Omnia.*"

Another settlement at Newport was formed in the southern part of the island. Here breaking roads, clearing up woods, exterminating wolves and foxes, opening a trade in lumber, engaging boldly in building ships, and, above all, forming a free and simple government with careful regard to religion and education, they soon found themselves in advance of their elder sister, Providence. The next year, in early May, 1638, another company went from Boston and joined them, and it is supposed that among that number was Thomas Wait, who was born in 1601, and who landed in America in 1634.

I. Thomas[1] Wait (1601-1677), almost immediately after his arrival at Rhode Island, applied for a lot on which to build (the land being held in common), and at the first meeting of the Council thereafter the record of its proceedings reads: "July 1, 1639, Granted to Thomas[1] Wait a house lot next Mr. Wick's." Mar. 16, 1641, he was made a Freeman at Newport, R. I., a privilege then only granted to church members, and May 6, 1649, he was witness to the will of Anthony Paine; in 1655 he is again described as a Freeman; Apr. 30, 1661, he bought lands in Acushnet and Cohasset, Mass., and is described as a husbandman. Thomas[1]

Wait was also a Freeman at Boston, Oct. 8, 1640. He died in Portsmouth some time before Apr., 1677, intestate, and the Town Council divided his property among his children; Samuel[2], Joseph[2], Jeremiah[2], Thomas[2], Mary[2] and Reuben[2]. His wife's name is not on record that we can find; she must have died previous to the division of his property.

These are the only children mentioned in the division, but there is some evidence that Thomas[1] had another son, Benjamin[2], who is supposed to have been the third child of Thomas, and to have been born about 1644, and who is believed to be the same Benjamin[2] who was one of the petitioners of Hadley, Mass., Apr. 25, 1665; of Hatfield, Hampshire Co., Mass., 1668, and who was slain by Indians at Deerfield, Mass., 1704. These facts seem to be verified by Hampshire Co. deeds, at Springfield, Mass., Vol. C, pp. 72-3, whereby Thomas[1] Wait, of Seacourt, R. I., and Benjamin[2] Wait, of Hatfield, Mass., Feb. 3, 1700, bought property in Brookfield, Mass., of John Ayers, etc. Brookfield is about half way between Hatfield and Portsmouth, R. I., near Worcester, Mass. Seacourt, R. I., is not given on the modern maps. In Vol. C, p. 439, a deed is recorded whereby John[3], Jeremiah[3] and Joseph[3], sons of Benjamin, of Hatfield, Mass., and John Belding, Joseph Smith and Ebenezer Wells, who married daughters of Benjamin[2], deceased, sold, May 24, 1717, the land in Brookfield, formerly the estate of John Ayers, deceased, and they warranted the same against Thomas Wait, our uncle, brother of the aforesaid Benjamin Wait, deceased. Henry E. Waite, who has made the records of the Wait family the subject of much study and investigation, says: "There is no doubt in my mind about Benjamin being the son of the first Thomas Wait, of Rhode Island. He was in Hatfield in 1665. (Petition Mass. Archives, State House, Boston, pp. 106, 107.)"

Thomas[1] invariably wrote his name Wait, and his descendants also, with very few exceptions, down almost to the present, while his cousin, Richard, born in 1608, and who settled in Watertown, Mass., in 1637, wrote his name Waite, and also did all the descendants of Thomas, the regicide, who settled in Connecticut. The use of the letter *e* at the end of the words was very common at one time, after the early spelling of many words, as *thinke*, *speake*, *finde*, etc.

I. THOMAS[1] (1601–1677) had then *six* children.

II. 1. SAMUEL[2], (*Thomas*[1]) (1640-1694), of Narragansett, 1663 and 1671; Wickford, 1668; Portsmouth, R. I., 1677 to 1694. In 1663, July 3, he and others of Narragansett desired to be under protection of Connecticut only; in 1668, May 4, he and others of Wickford petitioned the Connecticut authorities to reassume the protection of their settlement, or that they might look for government and protection elsewhere; in 1671, May 20, he took oath of allegiance to Rhode Island; in 1673, May 6, he was a freeman; in 1677, Feb. 11, he was at Portsmouth, R. I. He and his wife Hannah deeded to Thomas[2] the house and all the land in Portsmouth, given and appointed by will made by Town Council, being 30 acres, which had been owned by the father of said Samuel[2] and Thomas[2]; 1685, Feb. 2, he was a freeman and conveyed to Thomas; 1693, Mar. 30, he sold to William Burrington for £50 two pieces of land in Portsmouth, with houses, etc., one piece of land containing 16 acres, the other being two acres; in 1694, May 7, at Kings Town, he sold James Reynolds, Sr., 50 acres, in Kings Town, for £12.

Samuel[2] m. Hannah (Whitman ?), of Kingston, R. I., and they had *four* children.

i. SAMUEL[3], b. 1676, about, d. 1752, m. Alice Wightman, Kingston, R. I.
ii. JOHN[3], b. Sept, 10, 1678, d.
iii. JOSEPH[3], b. May 19, 1682, d. . m. Elizabeth.
iv. SUSANNA[3], b. Oct. 24, 1684, d. 1758, m. Moses Barber (?)

NOTE.—A Susanna Wait m. Benjamin Perry and they had son Freeman Perry, m. Mercy Hazard, who had son Christopher R. Perry who m. Sarah Wallace Alexander, who had a son Oliver Hazard Perry, Commodore U. S. Navy, b. S. Kingston, R. I., Aug. 23, 1785, d. Port Spain, W. I., Aug. 23, 1819.

III. 2. JOSEPH[2] (*Thomas*[1]), d. Aug. 25, 1665, of Kingston, R. I. In 1665, Sept. 16, administration was granted his widow, Sarah. The Town Council determined that as she was with child, if it was a son and lived to 21 years, he should have £40, and if a daughter, same sum at marriage, and if it do not live, said sum to go to the widow. The inventory amounted to £89, 15s. 10d., and consisted of pewter, wearing apparel, spinning wheel, working tools, 2 guns, pair of bandoliers, 2 cows, 2 yearlings, calf, 7 swine, 4 shoats, 6 pigs, lambs, 10 lbs. butter, cow in hands of Samuel, etc. It is assumed that William[3], of Rochester, was his son, and was born late in the year 1665.

i. WILLIAM[3], b. 1665, m. Elizabeth , Rochester, Mass., and had *five* children.
(a) Elizabeth[4], b. Feby. 4, 1696.
(b) Ruth[4], b. Sept. 29, 1699.
(c) William[4], b July 29, 1701.
(d) Samuel[4], b. Apr. 15, 1704.
(e) Abigal[4], b. Sept. 26, 1707, and m. Joseph Tripp, Jany. 3, 1737.

NOTE.—A William Wait m. Sarah, dau. of Enas Kingsley, at Northampton, Mass., and they had children John, b. Aug., 1689; wife Sarah d. Jan. 22, 1691, and William m. Ann, dau. of John Webb, Jr., and they had children Joseph, b. about 1693, d. young; Ann, b. Jan. 6, 1695; Mary, b. Feb. 17, 1698; Jonathan, b. Mar. 18, 1703; Thankful, b. Jan. 27, 1706; Samuel, b. Jan. 19, 1707; Jeremiah, b. Dec. 13, 1709; Experience, b. Mar. 31, 1715; Noah, b. Feb. 20, 1712. William d. 1732 his wife Ann d Oct. 7, 1748. This William Wait may have been a lost son of Thomas of Portsmouth, though nothing has been found to prove it.

NOTE.—A William Wait m. Elizabeth Stebbins Dec. 16 1703, and had children Sarah, b. June, 1705; Hannah, b. Jan. 20, 1715; Eunice, b. May 21, 1722; Josiah, b. Mar. 25, 1725, and Josiah, b. June 22, 1731.

NOTE.—A John Wait m. Nov. 27, 1716, Esther Edwards, and had child Esther, b. Oct. 23, 1717.

NOTE.—A Richard Wait m. 1683 Sarah (b. 1649), dau. of John Clarke of Springfield, Mass. He was keeper of the prison at Springfield, 1691-92; of Danbury, Conn., 1706; and of Springfield again in 1710.

NOTE.—A Daniel Wait served in the Continental Army June 7—Aug. 5, 1778, residence Brookfield, Worcester Co., Mass., in Col. Marshall's 10th Massachusetts Line Regiment.

3. BENJAMIN[2] (*Thomas*[1]) (1644-1704). He was a petitioner of Hadley, Mass., Apr. 25, 1665, lived at Hatfield, 1668, and was slain by Indians at Deerfield, Mass., 1704. Bought lands at Brookfield, Mass., with Thomas, of Rhode Island, Feb. 3, 1700, which were conveyed by his children May 24, 1717, who warranted the same against their uncle Thomas, Benjamin's brother. Benjamin was a soldier and Indian scout—a brave and hardy man. For an interesting story of the capture of his wife and children by the Indians, who took them to Canada; his long and determined pursuit and final recovery of them; the mother giving birth to a dau. while in captivity, who was named "Canada," and one of whose descendants founded Smith's College at Northampton, see Craft's History of Whateley, Mass., pp. 31, 32, 33 and 34. Benjamin m. June 8, 1670, Martha Leonard, b. May 15, 1649, dau. of John Leonard, of Springfield, Mass., (see Craft's History of Whateley, Mass., p. 593), and they had *eight* children:

i. MARY[3], b. Feb. 25. 1672, m. Dec. 4, 1690, Ebenezer Wells.
ii. MARTHA[3], b. Jan. 23, 1673.
iii. SARAH[3], b. 1675, m. John Belden of Hatfield.
iv. CANADA[3], b. (in Canada) Jan. 22, 1678, m. Joseph Smith of Hatfield.
v. JOHN[3], b. Jan. 17, 1680, at Hatfield, Mass., d. 1744. He, like his father, was much in service, was a sergeant and commander in many excursions; was in the fight

with the French and Indians at Deerfield when his father was slain. He m. Mary, dau. of Stephen and Mary (Wells) Belden, b. May 20, 1685. They had *ten* children.

(a) John[4], b. at Whately, Mass., Dec. 3, 1703; d. at Whateley, Mass., Mar. 4, 1776, m. (1) Sept. 19, 1723, Submit, dau. of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Graves) Hastings of Hatfield, b. July 16, 1707. M. (2) Mary, dau. of Eleazor and Deborah (Chapin) Frary of Hatfield, d. at Whately Dec. 23, 1807, aged 96 years, removed early to what is now Whately. He was prominent in town and church affairs.

They had *eleven* children:

(1) Joel[5], b. Mar. 13, 1726, d. young.
(2) Jerusha[5], b. Jan. 24, 1728, m. John Billings, removed to Amherst, Mass.
(3) Eleanor[5], b. Apr. 4, 1730.
(4) Seth[5], b. Aug. 12, 1732.
(5) Lydia[5], b. Sept. 26, 1734, m. (1) a Mr. Coleman of South Hadley, and (2) Orange Worner of Hadley, Mass.
(6) Katherine[5], b. Dec. 25, 1736.
(7) Chloe[5], b. Feb. 23, 1738.
(8) Mary[5], b. Apr. 18, 1741, m. William Brown, Jr., of Whately, Mass.
IV.—(9) John[5], b. Nov. 25, 1743, d. Sept. 28, 1801, m. Mary, dau. of Eleazar Frary, b. 1748, d. June 18, 1842, of Hatfield, Mass. They had *eleven* children: Selah[6], Edward[6], Solomon[6], b. 1768, d. Sept. 25, 1846, m. Lucy Wells, dau. Benjamin Wells of Hatfield, Mass., b. July 20, 1769, d. Mar. 9, 1834; John[6], b. 1777, William[6], Chester[6], Betsey[6], Submit[6], Electa[6], Judith[6] and Mary[6], all of whom emigrated to Norwich, Chenango Co., N. Y., about the year 1790. Solomon[6] and Lucy had children: Sophia[7], Selah[7], Wells[7], Delancy[7], Solomon[7], John[7], Martha[7], Chester[7] and Eliza[7].

According to Craft's History of Whately, Mass., John[5], b. Nov. 25, 1743, m. June 14, 1770, Mary, dau. of Elisha and Sarah (Smith), Smith, of Whately, Mass., b. July 14, 1746. This m. is believed to be an error. Wells Wait, his grandson (b. at Norwich, N. Y.), has a record which says John[5] m. Mary, dau. of Eleazar Frary. Wells Wait was the son of Solomon, son of John[5], and he must have known who was his grandmother. It is assumed, therefore, that Craft's is in error, and that Wells Wait and Mrs. Martha Throop Vaughan of Chicago, Ill., and the other records are correct. Possibly John[5] was m. twice, but both records agree as to dates of John's[5] birth, names of children and dates of their birth, etc. The discrepancy is as to maiden name of his wife. Both say it was "Mary."

(10) Submit, b. 1746, m. Waite Broughton, Nov. 1, 1771.
(11) Joel, b. Sept. 9, 1754.

b) Martha[4], b. Feb. 20, 1706, m. Aug. 10, 1738, Nathaniel Hawkes.
c) Mary[4], b. June 22, 1708, m. Benjamin Munn of Deerfield, Mass.
d) Lydia[4], b. Oct. 7, 1710, d. soon.
(e) Lydia[4] (2d), b. July 4, 1712, m. Noah Coleman of Whately, Mass.
(f) Eunice[4], b. 1720, m. Israel Graves of Whately, Mass.
g) Benjamin[4], b. Jan. 4, 1718.
h) Eleanor[4], b. Dec. 10, 1722.
i) Elisha[4], b. Oct. 10, 1725.
(j) Sarah[4], no date.

vi. JOSEPH[3], b. July, 1682, d. soon after.
vii. JEREMIAH[3], b. Sept. 24, 1684.
viii. JOSEPH[3], b. Nov. 11, 1688.

4. JEREMIAH[2] (*Thomas*[1]), b. d. 1677. He married Martha Brownell, b. May, 1643, d. Feb. 15, 1744. She was born of Thomas and Ann Brownell, Portsmouth, R. I. She married a second time Charles Dyer. In 1673, May 6, he was a freeman; in 1677, May 10, his widow, Martha, bought for £16, of Daniel Wilcox and wife, Elizabeth, of Dartmouth, an eighth of a share there; in 1690, Mar. 8, Martha Wait, widow of Jeremiah[2], bought for £20, of Robert and Mary Brownell, 30 acres in Little Compton, they calling her "sister"; in 1734, Jan. 29, a will was proven, and in 1744, Mar. 12, she was widow, Martha Dyer. Her executors were cousins (or nephews), Joseph and Stephen Brownell. She gave legacies to various nephews and nieces and to her three sisters, Mary Hazard, Anne Wilbur and Susanna Brownell.

There were no children of Jeremiah.

V. 5. THOMAS[2] (*Thomas*[1]), d. 1733. He was a tailor; in 1673, May 6, he was a freeman; in 1673, Mar. 25, he and seven others bought Pocasset lands for £1,000, of Gov. Josiah Winslow, etc. There were 30 shares, he having one. In 1680, Aug. 28, he and his wife Sarah sold Thomas Ward of Newport, for £12 10s. land in Dartmouth; in 1681, Jan. 14, Thomas[2], Providence Plantation, in America Taylor, conveyed to Joseph Anthony of Portsmouth, R. I., "the one full fourth part of a whole share of thirtieth part of that tract of land at Pocasset and places adjacent bounded as followeth, viz.: Northward and right northward by the freeman's lots, near the Fall River, and westward by the Boror Sound that runneth between the said land and Road Island, southward partly by a line that is gott at a great Rorb on which is a Cedar bush marked near the way that leadeth to Pnabatogt, eastward to a Pong at Dartmouth Town Bounds and eastward to Saponset Creeks Mouth, and partly by Dartmouth bounds, and northward again to the woods to Middleborrow Town bounds and Quitt-Quigot Pond, always excepting out of this Bargain and Sale Saponset Neck of Land and the meadows belonging to Punkabogt Proprietors and the land formerly granted by the Court of Plymouth to Capt. Richard Morris, and so much of said

tract as shall be allotted and appointed for the use of the Ministry, all of which said tract of land I, the said Thomas Wait, with some others, solely purchased of some gentlemen, agents of the colony of Plymouth, as may appear by one deed of foefment, bearing date Mar. 5, 1679; in 1684, Feb. 9, he and his wife Sarah sold Abraham Anthony, 27 acres, garden, buildings, etc., for £159; in 1678, Aug. 18, Little Compton, he petitioned for 300 acres at Pocasset, "having made improvements there, and was one of the purchasers." In 1691, Jan. 7, Thomas sold John Woodman, cordwainer, and John Irish, house carpenter, salt marsh, for £34; from 1691-1714, he lived at Little Compton, and owned a wind-mill; in 1692, Mar. 2, at Tiverton, he was an inhabitant at organization of the town; in 1696, Jan. 20, he appears to have moved to Tiverton, Bristol Co., Mass., and on Feb. 5, 1697, he conveyed property to Edward Grey; May 18, 1697, he and his wife, Sarah, conveyed to Joseph Taber of Tiverton, a husbandman, lands in Tiverton on Pungalogt Pong; on May 2, 1699, he gave a bond to Thomas Walker & Son, of Boston, a brick burner, in the penal sum of £2,012, on which William Southworth, of Little Compton, Bristol Co., Mass., and John Rogers, of Boston, Suffolk Co., were bondsmen; and on May 3, 1699, he made a conveyance to above named bondsmen, presumably to secure them from loss, of 130 acres of land; and on Sept. 14, 1700, he granted to George Sisson and Joseph Cooke, both of Portsmouth, R. I., lands at Tiverton, in which conveyance his wife, Sarah, joins him, releasing her dower rights; on March 6, 1700, at Boston, he mortgaged his home and dwelling in Tiverton to Joseph Cook; on Jan. 20, 1696, he conveyed land; on Jan. 5, 1701, he conveyed land situated at Little Compton, Bristol Co., Mass., to William Peabodye, and also conveying his one-fourth interest in a certain wind-mill in Little Compton; and on Apr. 22, 1720, he made his last recorded conveyance to Job Briggs, of 53 acres of land in Tiverton; and in 1727 he was at Dartmouth, Mass.

June 16, 1733, Sarah, widow of Thomas[2], filed an inventory of her husband's goods; it was valued at £245 15s., and consisted of wearing apparel, £16 16s., 2 old Bibles, 8 silver spoons and 2 silver cups, £13 4s., 3 linen wheels, 2 woolen wheels, 2 cows, heifer, 2 yearlings, 2 calves, 4 swine, 2 stacks of bees, etc.

THOMAS[2], m. Sarah Cook, b. d. after 1733, dau. John and Mary (Borden) Cook; and they had *three* children.

i. MARY[3], b. , d. after 1759, m. John Earle.
ii. THOMAS[3], b. Dec. 21, 1681, d. 1757, m. Elizabeth
iii. BENJAMIN[3], b. d. Aug. 4, 1734, m. Mary .

6. MARY[2] (*Thomas*[1]), b. d. 1713, m. Apr. 5, 1676, Joseph Anthony, b. d. 1728, son of John and Susanna Anthony, Dartmouth, Mass. They had *four* children, John, Joseph, Susanna and Thomas.

VI. 7. REUBEN[2] (*Thomas*[1]), d. Oct. 7, 1707. In 1685, he and others appeared at Plymouth Court as proprietors of Dartmouth; in 1707, Oct. 11, his will was proven, and in 1707, Nov. 5, his executor was his wife, Tabitha. He gave to his son, Thomas, half of farm, etc.; to wife, 20 acres, dwelling house and orchard for life, and movables forever; to four sons, Benjamin, Joseph, Reuben and Jeremiah, rest of land in Dartmouth, and at death of wife, the house and land that she occupies to go to them; to daughters, Eleanor, Abigail and Tabitha, each £3. The inventory gave £271 10s. 4d., viz.; Lands £150, 7 cows, 2 oxen, 2 steers, 4 yearlings, 20 sheep, 24 lambs, horse, half a yearling, mare, 14 swine, 4 calves, 9 geese, 2 stacks of bees, 7 barrels of cider, 4 beds, warming pan, gun, pair of cards, books, etc.

Reuben[2], m. 1681, Tabitha Lounders, dau. of John and Jane (Kirby) Lounders; and they had *eight* children.

i. THOMAS[3], b. Apr. 23, 1683, m. Mary Tripp.
ii. ELEANOR[3], b. Jan. 4, 1688, m. Abiel Tripp.
iii. BENJAMIN[3], b. Jan. 12, 1690, not married.
iv. JOSEPH[3], b. June 24, 1693, m. Elizabeth Wolf.
v. ABIGAIL[3], b. June 24, 1693, not married.
vi. REUBEN[3], b. Jan. 15, 1695, m, Elizabeth Hathaway.
vii. TABITHA[3], b. Jan, 15, 1695, not married.
viii. JEREMIAH[3], b. Jan. 16, 1698, d. Sept. 16, 1754, not married.

II. Samuel[2] (*Thomas*[1]) (1640–1694), m. Hannah (Whitman?) of Kingston, R. I., and had *four* children.

1. SAMUEL J.[3], b. about 1676, d. 1752, lived at Kingston and Exeter, R. I. In 1705, Apr. 21, he quitclaimed land to his uncle Reuben, and is called grandson of Thomas, of Portsmouth; in 1706, Sept. 2, he was a grand juryman; in 1709, May 7, he and five others bought 792 acres of the vacant lands in Narragansett; in 1725 he is mentioned in a deed; in 1728, in a deed, Samuel to his

son Joseph; in 1735, in a deed, Samuel to his son Samuel, Jr., and in another deed, Samuel to his son John; and in 1740, in a deed to Simon Smith; in 1747, Dec. 13, his will was proven; 1752, Apr. 15, his executor was his son John. He gave to his son Joseph all of farm whereon his house stands, containing 200 acres, with buildings and £50, and my riding beast and bridle; to son Samuel, west half of my homestead farm, he having a house thereon; to children of my deceased son, Benjamin, viz.: Virtue, Abagail and John, £250, divided at age; to son John, east half of my homestead and old part of my house, with new part at wife's decease, he paying the £250 above; to wife Alice, use of west half of house while widow, all indoor movables and £18 per year while widow, paid by son John. Inventory, £208 2s.; wearing apparel, £55; cash, £5 6s.; pewter, Bible and other books, £6; linen wheel, steelyards, warming pan, spice, mortar, etc.

SAMUEL J.[3], m. Alice Wightman, b. Dec. 29, 1666, d. 1747, dau. George and Elizabeth (Updike) Wightman. They lived at Wickford, R. I., removed to Kingston, R. I. They had *six* children:

i. JOSEPH[4], b. Apr. 27, 1697, m. Sarah Smith Feb. 27, 1728, and had a son, Joseph.[5] Deed 1740 to John Gardner, and 1741 to son Joseph, Jr., m. again to Elizabeth , Dec. 12, 1757.
ii. GEORGE[4], b. Aug. 14, 1699.
VIII.—iii. SAMUEL[4], b. Oct. 13, 1701.
IX.—iv. BENJAMIN[4], b. 1702 or '03. m. Abigail Hall.
v. MARTHA[4], b.
vi. JOHN[4], b. Feb. 22, 1709.

2. John[3], b. Sept. 10, 1678. He is mentioned in deeds in 1724, 1737, 1738, and had, it seems, *one* son:

i. JOHN[4], b.

3. JOSEPH[2], b. May 18, 1682, and m. Elizabeth , mentioned in a deed, Oct. 7, 1702, and had a daughter (?)

i. ANN[4], who d. Jan. 14, 1794 (?).

4. SUSANNA[3], b. Oct. 24, 1684, d. 1758, m. Mar. 24, 1692, to Moses Barber, b. 1652, d. 1733, and they had *fourteen* children, Dinah, b. 1693; Lydia, b. 1694; Samuel, b. 1695; Susanna, b. 1697; Thomas, b. 1699; Joseph, b. 1701; Martha, b. 1703; Ruth, b. 1705; Benjamin, b. 1707; Mercy, b. 1709; Ezekiel, b. 1710; Abigail, b. 1713; Daniel, b. 1715; Ann, b. 1717. (See note, p. 12.)

III.—JOSEPH[2] (*Thomas*[1]) (164 –1665), m. Sarah and had a posthumous son, William.[3]

1. WILLIAM[3], m. Elizabeth and lived at Rochester, Mass.; they had *five* children:

i. ELIZABETH[4], b. Feb. 4, 1696.
ii. RUTH[4], b. Sept. 29, 1699.
iii. WILLIAM[4], b. July 29, 1701.
iv. SAMUEL[4], b. Apr. 15, 1704.
v. ABIGAIL[4], b. Sept. 26, 1707.

IV.—JOHN[5] (*John*[4], *John*[3], *Benjamin*[2], *Thomas*[1]) was a revolutionary soldier. About 1790–91 the family removed to Preston, Chenango Co., N. Y., where John[5] was buried in an old cemetery near Preston Corners. A marble shaft was erected over the grave of John[5] by his son Solomon and wife Lucy (Wells) Wait.

John[5] and Mary had *ten* children.

1. SOLOMON[6], b. Oct. 15, 1768.
2. EDWARD[6], b. Oct. 2, 1770, m. Prudence Dickinson, of Conn.
3. BETSEY[6], b. Dec. 22, 1772, m. Jonathan Bacon.
4. SELAH[6], b. Feb. 15, 1775, d. Aug. 12, 1788.
5. JOHN[6], b. Aug. 16, 1777.

Crafts says he married in Preston, N. Y. When a young man he settled at Oaks Corners, N. Y., where all the children were born. He m. Abigail Cranson. About 1840 the family removed to Macomb Co., Mich., where Abigail d. Feb. 11, 1854. He died at Ravenna, O., Nov. 5, 1863, and was buried by the side of his wife, Abigail, at Chesterfield, Macomb Co., Mich. They had *seven* children:

i. SAMUEL[7].
ii. DANIEL[7].
iii. JOHN[7], b. May 24, 1810, d. June 11, 1894, at Peru, Kansas. Buried at Burlington, Iowa. He married Martha Amelia Clark, April 9, 1835, who was b. at Talmage, Ohio, Feby. 1, 1819, d. at Peru, Kansas, Feb. 26, 1898. Buried at Burlington, Iowa. Married at Ravenna, Ohio, and lived at Burlington in 1867. John[7] and Martha had *three* children.

(a) Amelia[8], b. Dec. 25, 1835, d. Sept. 14, 1838, at Ravenna, O.

(b) John Leman[8], b. at Ravenna, O., Aug. 29, 1840, m. Sept. 21, 1864, to Letitia Caroline Williams at Burlington, Iowa. They had *four* children:

(1) John Clay Milton[9], b. Oct. 9, 1866, m. Alda May Southwell Mar. 9, 1892.
(2) Jessie Benning[9], b. June 11, 1875, m. William Henry Davidson at Burlington Apr. 15, 1902; had child Barbara Waite Davidson, b. Mar. 22, 1903.
(3) Lola[9], b. Aug. 29, 1877, at Burlington, Iowa.
(4) Child[9], d. in infancy.

(c) Mary Ella[8], b. at Ravenna, O., Mar. 22, 1851, m. (1) John Monroe Eads, d. Nov. 12, 1880. Their two children: Alma Weston Eads, b. July 31, 1877, at Burlington, Iowa, d. July 1, 1894, at Peru, Kansas, and John Dale Eads, b. at Burlington, Iowa, Nov. 15, 1880, and m. (2) Nov. 10, 1885, to Randall M. Hartzell, b. at Newport, Pa., Nov. 9, 1838, and they had *four* children: Max Waite Hartzell, b. Aug. 28, 1886, at Peru, Kansas, and Dwight M. Hartzell, b. Dec. 4, 1888, at Peru, Kansas, d. Jan. 3, 1901; Harold Clark Hartzell, b. Aug. 1, 1891, and Dorothy Waite Hartzell, b. Nov. 18, 1894.

iv. CHLOE[7].
v. MELISSA[7].
vi. ALMA[7].
vii. MARY[7].

6. WILLIAM[6], b. Sept. 18, 1779.
7. SUBMIT[6], b. May 13, 1782.
8. CHESTER[6], b. Sept. 11, 1784.
9. JUDITH[6] and ELECTA[6] (twins), b. Jan. 25, 1787.
10. MARY[6], b. June 20, 1789.

NOTE.—John L.[8], who lived at Burlington, Iowa, and was editor and proprietor of the "Burlington Hawkeye," spent much time, labor and expense in searching for records of Benjamin's[2] branch of the Wait family.

V.—THOMAS[2] (*Thomas*[1]) (164 -1733), lived at Tiverton, R. I., m. Sarah Cook. They had *three* children:

1. MARY[3], d. 1769. She m. John Earle, son of William and Prudence Earle, and they had *six* children, Prudence, b. 1701; Mary, b. 1703; Oliver, b. 1705; Martha, b. 1708; William, b. 1710, and John, b. 1717.

2. THOMAS[3], b. Dec. 21, 1681; d. 1757; m. Elizabeth , and she d. 1746. They had *five* children:

i. SARAH[4], b. Sept. 23, 1713, m. Benjamin Newcomber, Sept. 31, 1736, and they had children: (a) Phebe[5], (b) Mary Ann[5], (c) Selina[5].
X.— ii. JOSEPH[4], b. Jan. 10, 1715.
XI.— iii. THOMAS[4], b. Sept. 6, 1716, m. Bridget.
iv. ELIZABETH[4], b. Dec. 21, 1718.
XII.— v. JOHN[4], b. Nov. 6, 1720, m. Mary Soule.
vi. MARY[4], b. Apr. 11, 1722.

In 1708, Mar. 16, Thomas[3] bought land; in 1710, Feb. 16, he and Job Briggs bought land; on Oct. 25, 1716, he

and his wife conveyed land at Dartmouth to Jeremiah, his brother, land that was formerly owned by Reuben; in 1720 he sold land; his brother Benjamin witnessed a deed Mar. 15, 1726, he paid £42, 3s. 7d. in full redemption of a mortgage by himself and his wife, Elizabeth, to several others, and given May 16, 1717; in 1746, Aug. 7, his will was proven; in 1757, Feb. 7, his executor, brother-in-law John Earle and cousin, William Earle, of Dartmouth; to daughter Elizabeth, a feather bed; to daughter Sarah, and Mary, rest of household stuff; to sons Thomas and John, certain land, they giving their sister Elizabeth her maintenance; to son John, the rest of the personal estate.

3. Benjamin[3], d. Aug. 4, 1734; was a mariner, of Portsmouth, R. I.; he left no will, but his wife did, from which we know his family. He m. Mary , d. 1739, and they had *five* children:

i. Annie[4].
ii. Sarah[4], m. Peter Crapo, Apr. 14, 1766.
iii. Deborah[4].
iv. Judith[4].
v. Elizabeth[4].

In 1734, Sept. 9, administration was granted to widow, Mary. The property was inventoried at £196, 2s. 8d., viz.: Wearing apparel, pocket book with £17 10s. in it; 4 beds, £9 13s.; plate, £6, 14s.; pewter quadrant, £2, 10s.; books, 5s.; ship carpenter's tools, 3 old spinning wheels, warming pan, etc. Will was proven Nov. 12, 1739, widow, Mary. His executors were daughters Sarah[4] and Elizabeth[4]; overseers, brother-in-law, John Earle, and friend, Daniel Howland; to daughter Amey or Annie[4] he left a spinning wheel, pewter platter, etc.; to daughter Sarah[4], feather bed, spinning wheel, etc.; to daughter Deborah[4], two feather beds, black silk hood, pewter platter, etc.; to daughter Judith[4], spinning wheel, etc.; to daughter Elizabeth[4], spinning wheel, etc.; to executors, swine and fowls; to daughters Judith[4] and Elizabeth[4], the use of wearing apparel and movables. Inventory, £106, 15s.

VI. Reuben[2] (*Thomas*[1]), d. Oct. 7, 1707 and Tabitha had *eight* children.

1. Thomas[3], b. Apr. 23, 1683, admitted at Newport, R. I., as a freeman, May, 1732; m. Jan. 25, 1711, Mary Tripp,

b. 1689; dau., Joseph and Mehitable (Fish) Tripp, and they had *eight* children:

i. Capt. John[4], b. Nov. 30, 1711; m. Elizabeth Sullivant, Oct. 21, 1733 and they had *six* children.

XIII.— Capt. William[5], Tabitha[5], Meribah[5], Mary[5], Elizabeth and John Ward[5].

Note.—John Wait was the 5th Justice Supreme Court of Rhode Island in May, 1787, and at a meeting of proprietors of purchase in South Kingstown, held Oct. 30, 1703, Wordens Pond was conveyed to Col. John Waite of South Kingstown if he would drain same, and he was permitted or empowered by Gen'l Assembly to do so and enlarge channel from Point Judith Pond into the sea. In Oct., 1776, John Wait was allowed £7 for engraving two sets escutcheons for backs and borders of money bills. In May, 1777-9, John Waite is mentioned as Captain of Independent Company, Kingstown Reds, of South Kingstown, and he is also mentioned as Colonel, May, 1777.

ii. Reuben[4], b. Feb. 7, 1713, and d. prior to Nov. 5, 1757; m. Mar. 7, 1745, Rebecca Tripp, b. July 7, 1713. She was appointed guardian of her children May, 1760, and was administratrix of her husband's estate in 1757. They had children:

(a) Jeremiah[5].
(b) Phebe[5], b , m. Kirby.
XVI.—(c) John[5].
XVII.—(d) Reuben[5].
(e) Rebecca[5].

XVIII.— iii. Thomas[4], b. Feb. 29, 1716, admitted at Newport, R. I., Feb. 1738 40, m. June 6, 1743, Tabitha Ellis, dau. Gideon Ellis, of West Greenwich, R. I., Thomas d. in 1790 and they had *eight* children: Gideon[5], Jeremiah[5], Thomas[5], Mary[5], Lydia[5], Peleg[5], Rufus[5] and Alice[5].

iv. Mary[4], b. Apr. 5, 1718, and m. William Tripp, Nov. 13, 1743.

v. Meribah[4], b. July 20, 1720, and m. Benjamin Soule, Sept. 16, 1742.

vi. Mehitable[4], b. Nov. 18, 1722, and m. Henry Reynolds, Apr. 28, 1746, and their children were Thomas[5], Hannah[5], Henry[5], Mary[5], Elisha[5], Mehitable[5] and Martha[5].

vii. Martha[4], b. Apr. 5, 1725.

viii. Alice[4], b. Apr. 23, 1729, East Greenwich, R. I.

Thomas[3], in 1721, sold his interest in his father's homestead to his brother Benjamin[3].

2. Elinor[3], b. Jan. 4, 1688; m. Jan. 5, 1704, Abiel Tripp, son of Abiel and Deliverance (Hall) Tripp, and they had *ten* children: Wait[4], b. 1705; Abiel[4], b. 1707; Mary[4], b. 1711; Sarah[4], b. 1712; Eleanor[4], b. 1715; Joseph[4], b. 1717; Rebecca[4], b. 1719; Thomas[4], b. 1721; Elizabeth[4], b. 1725, and Amy[4], b. 1728.

3. BENJAMIN[3], b. Jan. 12, 1690; he was a carpenter; d. 1772. His will was probated Feb. 24, 1772. He was non-compos and had guardians after June 14, 1749. He was a Friend, Mar. 3, 1737, and died unmarried.

4. JOSEPH[3], b. June 24, 1693; m. Elizabeth Wolf, Nov. 30, 1715. She it is claimed, was a near relative of General James Wolf. He was a blacksmith, and lived in Dartmouth, probably near Westport, Mass. Sept. 4, 1714, he sold his interest in his father's estate to his brother Benjamin; Oct. 15, 1722, he bought lands in Dartmouth, Mass.; Nov. 14, 1763, he revoked a power of attorney previously given to his son Samuel; Apr. 26, 1764, he conveyed his homestead, purchased in 1722, to his son Stephen; in 1722, he and Stephen sold land, and Jan. 30, 1773, he sold at Dartmouth; Sept. 15, 1761, he made his will, which was probated Aug. 15, 1774; a deed 1774 shows Joseph to have been dead. They had *eight* children:

VII.—i. SAMUEL[4], b. Aug. 24, 1716, m. Theodate Tripp, Oct. 8, 1747, and they had *three* children:

(a) Samuel[5], b. June 4, 1748, m. Sarah Cushman Apr. 29, 1776, and they had *two* children:

(1) Edith[6], b. Nov. 2, 1776, m. Isaac Bowman, Oct. 18, 1796.
(2) Stephen[6], b. Dec., 1780.

(b) Henry[5], b. May 5, 1750, m. Phebe Aiken July, 1774; bans pub. June 4. 1774, and they had *five* children:

(1) Ruth[6], b. Nov. 12, 1776, m. Job Gifford, Nov., 1800.
(2) Patience[6], b. May 18, 1779.
(3) Rhoda[6], b. Oct. 6, 1781, m. Daniel Warden, Feb. 15, 1816.
(4) Perry[6], b. May 9, 1786.
(5) Henry[6], b. June 5, 1789.

(?) (c) Roba[5], granddaughter of Joseph, m. Barnabus Sherman Apr. 29, 1776.

XXI.—(d) Daniel[5], b. Oct. 1, 1753, m. Phebe Manchester, bans pub. Sept. 25, 1775 (see post).

XIX.—ii. STEPHEN[4], d. 1778, m. Mary Tripp, May, 1764, and Lillis Church, Mar. 10, 1776. His will was proven Oct. 6, 1778. He had by his first wife *two* children:

(a) Shadrach[5], b. Mar. 17, 1765, d. Apr. 25, 1850.
(b) Gideon[5], b. July 21, 1766, and by his second wife, a dau., Mary[5].

iii. ALICE[4], m. Robert Sherman, Nov. 21, 1741.
iv. MERCY[4], m. George Wrightington, Dec. 31, 1757.
v. ELIZABETH[4], m. Barjonas Wilcox, Mar. 29, 1744.
vi. HANNAH[4], m. Tripp.
vii. KEZIAH[4], spinster.
viii. MARY[4], b. May 24, 1718, spinster (?), but records show a child, Lillis, m. John Webb, Dec. 15, 1776.

5. ABIGAIL[3], b. June 24, 1693, was a twin sister of Joseph[3]. She was a Friend. Feb. 19, 1726; did not marry.

6. REUBEN[3], b. Jan. 15, 1695; d. 1757; m. Elizabeth Hathaway, Aug. 2, 1720. He d. in 1757, and she received letters of administration Nov. 1, 1757. They had *three* (?) children.

i. JOSEPH[4], b. Sept. 17. 1722.

ii. JEREMIAH[4], b. Oct. 17, 1737, d. about 1782, m. Patience Kirby; bans pub. Dec. 7, 1754, and will of Recompense Kirby to dau. Patience and son-in-law Jeremiah made 1782. They had children:

(a) Abner[5], b. Feb. 17, 1756, d. 1819; m. Susanna Buffington Nov. 8, 1775, lived at Day, Saratoga Co., N. Y., and had at least *four* children:

(1) Jeremiah[6], born July 4, 1776, d. 1839, had a son Isaac[7], b. Oct. 27, 1803, who was the father of Daniel D.[8] and Sherman D.[8]

(2) William[6], b. Oct. 7, 1781, who had a son William.

(3) Abner, Jr.[6], b. Nov. 7, 1781, who had son Warren[7], b. Nov. 11, 1813, the father of Seymour D.[8]; and J. J.[7], Glens Falls, N. Y.

(4) Reuben.[6]

(b) Reuben[5], b. Apr. 28, 1758, who lived at Galway, Saratoga Co., N. Y., who had a son Reuben[6], who lived at Mosherville, N. Y.

iii. REUBEN[4].

7. TABITHA[3], b. Jan. 15, 1695. She was a Friend, Feb. 19, 1726; twin sister of Reuben[3]; not married.

8. JEREMIAH[3], b. Jan. 16, 1698; d. Sept. 16, 1754; will made May 20, 1754; not married; deed, Jan. 17, 1726.

VII.—SAMUEL[4] (*Joseph*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. Aug. 24, 1716, m. Theodate Tripp Oct. 8, 1747, and he owned land and lived in Dartmouth Township, Mass. (near Westport). He was the son of Joseph and Elizabeth, m. Theodate Tripp, b. Apr. 7, 1709.

The first public records obtained of Samuel[4], the son of Joseph[3], and husband of Theodate Tripp, and the father of Samuel[5], Henry[5] and Daniel[5], is in the Dartmouth Town Records, when he, on Sept. 15, 1747, announced his intention to marry Theodate Tripp, the dau. of Ebenezer Tripp, b. Apr. 7, 1709, the marriage taking place per same records, Oct. 8, 1747.

Dec. 15, 1749, Gabriel Hix conveyed to Samuel, 20 acres next to Philipp Taber's Mills, and next to Ebenezer Tripp, who was his father-in-law, and who lived at Westport, where this land is believed to have been located, and near Hix's Bridge at Westport. Samuel[4] m. Theodate Tripp in

1747, Samuel[5] was b. in 1748, and Samuel[4] and Theodate evidently moved to Westport in 1749, as Henry's birth, May 5, 1750, is not in town records, Dartmouth Tp. On June 4, 1750, Ebenezer Tripp, Samuel's[4] father-in-law, conveyed land to Samuel, characterizing him as a laborer, which land was adjacent to above-described tract, and on road from Phillip Jobert's Mill to Hix's Ferry. Mar. 12, 1754, Samuel[4], yeoman, conveyed to William Taber, land on highway by lands of Ebenezer Tripp and Gabriel Hix, and by those of Thomas Corey's, and by those of John Taber. Nov. 20, 1758, Samuel[4] conveyed to Lemuel Manchester (who, in 1775, became the father-in-law of Daniel[5], the son of Samuel[4]), 30 acres of land, all his homestead, where he then lived, together with all houses and buildings, said land being by that of David Tripp, and part on land of Gabriel Hix and that of Thomas Corey, westerly on land of John Taber, and on highway that leadeth from Jonathan Taber's Mill to the Friend's Meeting House in Acushnet Village, etc. It may be significant that Theodate, his wife, did not execute this deed. July 31, 1759, eight and one-third months later, Lemuel and Alice Manchester re-conveyed the same land to Samuel; and on the same day, July 31, 1759, Samuel[4] and Theodate conveyed the same homestead lands (28 acres) to William Wood, yeoman. This may indicate that Samuel gave up farming, and took to the sea, for Mar. 18, 1761, Walter Cornell conveyed to him as a laborer of Dartmouth, Bristol Co., land..... rods from Ichabod Kirby's line to Kirby's line, thence along Kirby's line to ye drift-way (drift-road?), thence southerly as ye drift-way runs, etc. Mar. 30, 1761, Samuel[4], laborer, conveyed to Benjamin Wing, land taken from the N. E. part of Walter Cornell's homestead, beginning in ye Orchard and Driftway by Ichabod Kirby's line, and by Kirby's line; Feb. 16, 1764, Samuel[4], laborer, conveyed to Caleb Tripp land taken from the N. E. corner of Walter Cornell's Homestead, and Theodate, his wife, released her dower and third interest in said land. Both signed by their marks. Dec. 2, 1765, Benjamin Wing conveyed to Samuel, laborer, land next to Walter Cornell's, near Ichabod Kirby's lane, and on the driftway of ye Samuel[4] Wait, etc. Some time prior to Nov. 14, 1763, Joseph[3], the father of Samuel[4], had given to the latter a power of attorney to act for him, for on that date, Joseph[3], yeoman of Dart-

mouth, Bristol Co., Mass., revoked said power of attorney, and filed with the register of Bristol County a revocation containing the following:

Joseph Wait[3], yeoman of Dartmouth, Bristol County,—"whereas I, Joseph Wait[3], upon trust and confidence which I had and am firmly in my son *Samuel Weight*[4] of ye Town, County and Province aforesaid, *laborer*, or alias sea-faring man, did by my letter of attorney constitute and make ye said Samuel[4] Weight my full and lawful attorney, &c., and whereas ye said Samuel Weight hath by coullor of said authority to him given, behaved himself greatly to my hindrance and damage, contrary to ye truth and confidence reposed by me in him, have revoked, countermanded and made void."

The spelling of his own name *Wait* and that of his son *Weight* is perhaps meaningful; also the use of the title sea-faring man. It does not appear in the records what was done by the son to provoke the father, but on Sept. 15, 1761, when Joseph[3] made his will, there was due from Samuel[4] to Joseph[3] a sum on a note, which was willed to Samuel[4]. This will was not probated until 1774, Aug. 15, eleven years after the revoking of the power of attorney. Samuel[4] and Theodate had *three* children:

1. SAMUEL[5], b. June 5, 1748; d. sometime before 1780, as Sarah, his wife, m. Chas. Davenport, Dec. 7, 1780. He Apr. 29, 1776, m. Sarah Cushman, b. Dec. 1, 1732; bans published Mar. 16, 1776. They had *two* children.

   i. EDY or EDITH[6], b. Nov. 2, 1776.
   ii. STEPHEN[6], b. Dec., 1780.

2. HENRY[5], b. May 5, 1750; d. 18 ; m. to Phebe Akin, b. July 15, 1747; bans published June 4, 1774. They had *five* children:

   i. RUTH[6], b. Nov. 12, 1776.
   ii. PATIENCE[6], b. May 18, 1779.
   iii. RHODA[6], b. Oct. 6, 1781.
   iv. PERRY[6], b. May 9, 1786.
   v. HENRY[6], b. June 5, 1789.

XXI. 3. DANIEL[5], b. Oct. 1, 1753; d. Oct. 15, 1829; bans published Sept. 25, 1773, to Phebe Manchester, b. Aug. 27, 1754, of Westport, Bristol Co., Mass.; dau. of Lemuel and Alice Manchester, who were married Oct. 2, 1740.

4. (?) ROBA[5], m. Barnabas Sherman, Apr. 29, 1776; described in will as grand-daughter of Joseph.

VIII.—SAMUEL[4] (*Samuel*[3], *Samuel*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. Oct. 13, 1701, is believed to have had a son Samuel[5], b. 1734 or 1738, who was a soldier in the Continental Army in 1776, and who went from Rhode Island to Vermont and thence to Canada. Samuel[5], b. 1738, m. Ann Gardner, a Scotch woman, who d. January 14, 1794, at Exeter, R. I. He was a soldier in the Continental Army in 1776. She is said to have been stolen by her mother's brother, a Gardner, and brought to America. Samuel[5] and Ann had *seven* children:

1. CALEB[6], b. 1757.

2. GARDNER[6], b. July 30, 1759, who, in 1776, at seventeen years of age, took his father's' place in the Continental Army; m. in 1782 to Lucretia Fillmore, dau. of John Fillmore, who was captured by pirates on ship Dolphin, in 1723. Gardner[6] went to Isle la Motte, Vt.; had a son:

   i. WILLIAM[7], b. Jan. 21, 1783, m. Hannah (Gardner?) and was killed at Fort Erie in the War of 1812, and who had a son William C., of Plattsburgh, N. Y., keeper of the Valcoûr lighthouse.

3. HENRY[6], b. 1761, went to Vermont, and from thence to Potsdam, N. Y.; had children:

   i. WILLIAM C[7]., b. 1783, lived at Shoreham, Vt., and had two sons Clark and Norman B., Colton, N. Y.
   ii. SAMUEL[7], b. 1785, Wisconsin.
   iii. HENRY[7], b. 1788, Pennsylvania.
   iv. ALLAN[7], 1790, had a son Myron H[8]., Potsdam, N. Y.
   v. JOHN H[7]., b. 1798, had a family including.
      (a) William C.[8], b. 1824.
      (b) Jackson A.[8], b. 1827, Norfolk, N. Y., who had a son Leland[9].
      (c) Orville[8], b. 1830.
      (d) Marshall L.[8], b. 1832.
      (e) Loyal[8], b. 1835.
   vi. LUTHER[7], b. 1791, lived in Michigan.

4. BARTON[6], b. 1763, Elizabethtown, N. Y. Had children.

   i. BARTON[7].
   ii. BENJAMIN[7].
   iii. JARED C[7], b. June 4, 1804, who had sons: Edgar F[8]., Elvin O.[8] and Minor F.[8]
   iv. FREEMAN[7].
   v. ANNA[7].

5. SAMUEL[6], b. 1765, and went to Canada.

6. JAMES[6], b. 1772, and went to Canada.

7. JONATHAN[6], b. 1778, and went to Canada and had a son.

i. JONATHAN[7], b. 1790, of Amsterdam, N. Y. and Canada, West, who had a son, Henry[8].

IX.—BENJAMIN[4] (*Samuel*[3], *Samuel*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. 1673, d. 1745, m. Abigail Hall, deeds 1740, will Nov. 16, 1745, Wickford, R. I. They had *seven* children:

1. HENRY[5], b. May 27, 1725.

2. BENJAMIN[5], Jr., b. Oct. 13, 1727(?); d. Nov. 6, 1817, of Wickford, R. I.; m. Sarah Brown, *dau.* of Beriah Brown. Benjamin[5] was a physician, an elder and at one time sheriff. They had *ten* children:

i. COL. BERIAH[6], b. Apr., 1758 or 1756, d. Apr. 13, 1820. He was an ensign, Third Co., North Kingston, R. I., May, 1778–9, a Lieutenant. June, 1780, and a Colonel in the Continental Army for five years. In March, 1781, he was a Deputy Sheriff. He m. first Nov. 30, 1779, Asa Baker, d. Dec. 21, 1794, and they had *nine* children:

(a) Christopher B.[7], b. June 23, 1780, m. (?) Betsey Bell, b. Oct., 1800, Albany, N. Y. Had children:

(1) William A.[8], b. Aug. 30, 1800, lived at Fall River, Mass., and had children: William B.[9], b. Mar. 25, 1839, father of William B.[10], b. July 13, 1872; Christopher B[9], lived 232 Halsey St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; B. A.[9], Waverly, Iowa.

(2) Beriah A.[8], b. Mar. 4, 1803, who had a son Edmund G.[9]

(3) Samuel C.[8], b. June 21, 1807, Gouverneur, N. Y.

(4) Christopher B.[8], b. May 21, 1811, who had a son William A.[9]

(5) Edmund G. R.[8], b. May 23, 1816.

(6) Asa[8], Wickford, R. I.

(b) Capt. Beriah[7], Newport, R. I., b. 1803; will probated Jan. 29, 1860.

(c) Abel[7].

(d) Joseph[7].

(e) Daniel[7].

(f) Benjamin[7].

(g) George[7], Providence, R. I.

(h) Asa[7], Wickford, R. I.

(i) Anna[7], Wickford, R. I.

Col. Beriah[6], m. again Hannah Arnold; d. Sept., 1824, and they had *seven* children:

(j) Joseph A.[7]

(k) Samuel E.[7]

(l) Asa B.[7], b. 1807, of Wickford, R. I., who had a son Freeborn L.[8], b. 1839, Newport, R. I.

(m) Phebe[7].

(n) Sarah[7].

(o) Hannah[7], b. 1800 (?).

(p) Abbey[7], b. Sept. 26, 1802 (?).

ii. BENJAMIN[6], b. , m. Elizabeth Spencer, Mar. 8, 1801.

iii. STEPHEN[6], of Broadalbin, N. Y., no children.
iv. JOSEPH[6], of Broadalbin, N. Y., b. 1759, m. Abigail Clarke. Feb. 23, 1783 ; had children :
(a) Clarke[7], b. 1787.
(b) Joseph[7], b. Jan. 10, 1790, d. June 27, 1868, and had *four* children : Rev. O. J.[8], Edmund P.[8], William G.[8] and Willard L[8]
(c) Beriah[7], b. 1794.
(d) Stephen[7].
v. EDMUND[6], of Broadalbin, N. Y.
vi. JOHN[6], b. , m. Mary Clarke, Dec. 29, 1805, and they had *four* children : Lydia[7], Eunice[7], Simon[7] and Sarah.[7]
vii. MARY[6], m. John Clarke, Jan. 17, 1786, Exeter, R. I., and went to New York.
viii. SARAH[6], m., and went to New York.
ix. ELIZABETH.[6]
x. LYDIA.[6]
xi. ANNA.[6]

3. REV. WILLIAM[5], b. Jan. 9, 1730, Wickford, R. I.; d. Mar. 20, 1826; admitted as a freeman at Newport, R. I., May, 1757. He removed to Cambridge, N. Y., in 1774; m. Mary Nichols, b. Dec. 8, 1732, and she d. Dec. 28, 1822. He was a Baptist minister and a goldsmith, and he appears in a deed at Newport, R. I., Sept. 29, 1788. They had *eleven* children:

i. MARY[6], b. Feb. 9, 1752.
ii. BENJAMIN[6], b. Sept. 3, 1753, d. 1830 in Canada, m. Ann Waldo, b. 1757, d. 1853, and they had *thirteen* chidren :
(a) Abigail[7], b. 1753, Canada West.
(b) John[7] , Munda, N. Y.
(c) Olive[7], Washington Co., N. Y.
(d) Benjamin[7], said to have been exiled to Van Dieman's Land, to have escaped and to have then written Wait's Narrative. See p. 35.
(e) Mary[7], Crystal Lake, Ill.
(f) Washington, Z.[7], Belleville, Wis.
(g) Ann[7], Chicago, Ill.
(h) David V.[7], Vandalia, Ill.
(i) Daniel Dyer[7], b. Aug. 28, 1795, Granville, Washington Co., N. Y., d. Aug. 13, 1869, Chicago, Ill. ; m. Lucy Clapp (1800–1853) and they had children : Charles B.[8], George W.[8], b. July 2, 1819, d. Nov. 27, 1903 ; Cynthia A.[8], Achsah E.[8], Emily J.[8], Campbell W.[8], John M.[8], Juliet S.[8] and Benjamin B.[8], Yellow Spring, O.
(j) Rev. Archibald[7], b. 1797, l. Chicago, Ill., had children : Wayland W.[8], Rachel[8], Ann[8], Mehone[8], d. at 4 years, Sinn[8], Adda[8], Lounda L.[8], Lovina L.[8] and Helen M.[8]

(k) Cynthia[7], Woodstock, Ill.
(l) Waity[7], b. 1801, Osage, Iowa,
(m) Waldo[7], b. 1801, Osage, Iowa.

iii. SARAH[6], b. Jan. 30, 1756.
iv. JOHN[6], b. Dec. 29, 1757; had children:

(a) John[7], Cambridge, N. Y.
(b) Nathan, Sheridan, N. Y., claims that one of his Uncles was the Father of Benjamin, who was exiled to Van Dieman's Land in 1838. (*See p.* 35.)

v. WILLIAM[6], b. Jan. 10, 1760, d. 1832, and was a gold beater; had children:

(a) William[7] (1788–1874), who had a son Henry M.[8], b. 1810, Genessee Co., N. Y.
(b) Josiah[7] (1787–1862), served in war of 1812, New Lebanon, N. Y.; had sons:

(1) David P.[8], Galway, N. Y.
(2) Edmond[8], who has sons, Josiah N.[9], William[9] and John[9].
(3) Josiah[8], b. 1817, and had a son Louis H[9].

vi. STEPHEN[6], b. Oct. 11, 1761, d. 1842; had children:

(a) James[7], b. June 29, 1800, who had a son, Noah.[8]
(b) William[7], b. Sept. 19, 1802, lived at Cambridge, N. Y., who had a son William H.[8], Jersey City, N. J.

vii. NICHOLAS[6], b. Apr. 16, 1763.
viii. JOSEPH[6], Mar. 6, 1765, and had a son:

(a) Rev. Samuel[7], Raleigh, N. C.

ix. ABIGAIL[6], b. Feb. 10, 1767.
x. EZRA[6], b. Mar. 6, 1769.
xi. ZERA[6], b. June 18, 1771.

4. SARAH[5], b. Jan. 19, 1733(?), Wickford, R. I. Note—She may have married Peter Crapo, of Rochester, Mass., May 14, 1766.

5. VIRTUE[5], b. May 12, 1737(?), Wickford, R. I.; m. Tripp, and for a second husband Vaughn; settled in Vaughn's Island, Mehone Bay; was living in 1783.

6. JOHN(ATHAN)[5], b. Aug. 11, 1742, Wickford, R. I.; m. Margaret Sheffield; d. Oct. 20, 1817. He was a goldsmith. They had *five* children:

i. BENJAMIN[6], d. at 7 years.
ii. JOHN[6], d. at 40 years.
iii. MATTHEW[6], b. Aug. 15, 1781, Clerk of Supreme Court of R. I., and had a son Benjamin C.[7], Nevada City, Cal.
iv. ABIGAIL.[6]
v. DORCAS.[6]

7. ABIGAIL, b. ; m. Joseph Case, and lived at Cambridge, N. Y.

X.—JOSEPH[4] (*Thomas*[3], *Thomas*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. Jan. 10, 1715, m. Elizabeth . They had children:

1. MARTHA[5], b. Mch. 10, 1738.
2. REUBEN[5], b. July 24, 1740.
3. OLIVER[5], b. Jan. 15, 1741; had child(ren).
   i. JOSEPH[6], b. Apr. 24, 1778, lived Janesville, Saratoga Co., N. Y., who had a son William[7], the father of D. B[8], of Chicago, Ill.

4. Major Elverton[5], or Yelverton[5], b. Sept. 14, 1743, Coventry, R. I.; m. Zipora . He was a major in the Continental Army, Rhode Island Volunteers, Kent Co., under Col. Nathaniel Brown, Oct., 1776. He had children
   i. WILLIAM[6], b. July 2, 1761, Coventry, R. I., d. June 30, 1849, at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., and he had children:
      (a) John[7], Ballston Spa, N. Y.
      (b) Mrs. S. M. Osgood[7], Chicago, Ill.
      (c) Daniel[7], b. Jan. 28, 1793, Glens Falls, N. Y., father of William A[8].
   ii. SHEFFIELD[6], b. Apr. 25, 1783. A Sheffield lived at Coventry, R. I., in 1875.

XI.—THOMAS[4] (*Thomas*[3], *Thomas*[2], *Thomas*[1]), Tiverton, R. I., b. Sept. 6, 1716, m. Bridget Crandall, bans pub. July 8, 1745, and they had *eight* children:

1. PAINE[5], b. Dec. 12, 1745, who was a colonel in the Continental Army, and a Revolutionary pensioner, and d. at Brookfield, Madison Co., N. Y., Sept., 1845, aged 99 yrs. 9 mos.; m. by Elder John Pendleton, Oct. 29, 1771, Keziah Crandall, of Hopkinton, dau. of Jeremiah and Keziah Crandall. He had, in 1774, *three* children over sixteen years and one under sixteen years. He had also a son:
   i. BENJAMIN[6], b. June 27, 1776, and d. Apr. 25, 1857, at Brookfield, N. Y. He had a son:
      (a) Lewis[7], b. May 16, 1800, and lived at Gerry, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., and had *two* sons, Ephriam D.[8], b. Feb. 1, 1829, and lived at Gerry; and Charles[8] of Ellington, Chautauqua Co., N. Y.
2. SUSANNA[5], b. Dec. 12, 1745, Hopkinton, R. I.
3. JOSEPH[5], b. Aug. 16, 1747.
4. SARAH[5], b. Apr. 6, 1749.

XIV.—5. JOHN[5], b. Mar., 1751.
6. JOB[5], b. Aug., 1753.
7. GRACE[5], b. July 4, 1756.
8. THANKFUL[5], b. Aug. 2, 1757.

XII.—JOHN[4] (*Thomas*[3], *Thomas*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. Oct. 6 or Nov. 6, 1720, m. Mary Soule, Jan. 25, 1755, and they had *five* children:

1. MARY[5], b. Sept. 21, 1755, baptized at Newport, R. I., Apr. 6, 1774.
2. ELIZABETH[5], b. Aug. 9, 1757.
3. SARAH[5], b. Sept. 21 or 24, 1759.

NOTE.—A Sarah Wait was admitted to Newport Sabbatarian Church May 31, 1788, as from Ponegansett, R. I., and m. Edmund Davis Apr. 18, 1790.

NOTE.—A Sarah Wait, d. Oct. 12, 1818, said to have been aged 59, m. Palmer and they had a son, Isaac; she m. Asa Avery and had children, George, b. Oct. 2, 1792; Mary, b. 1795, and they lived at Grafton, Rensselear Co., N. Y. (see Sarah[5], p. 31, *supra*).

4. JOHN[5], b. Dec. 4, 1762.
   See notes about John Wait, pp. 13, 14 and 21, *Ante*.
5. RUTH[5], b. June 1, 1766.

XIII.—CAPTAIN WILLIAM[5] (*Capt. John*[4], *Thomas*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]) b. February 10, 1735, held a commission under the King June 5, 1765, and he afterwards served in the Revolutionary War; m. Jan. 23, 1757, Thankful Mathewson, b. 1738; d. Dec. 26, 1816. They had *three* children:

1. REUBEN, b. Feb. 11, 1757, m. Mary Wait, May 11, 1775, see post Mary (Thomas, Thomas, Reuben, Thomas).
2. MARY[5] or MERCY[5], b. Nov. 10, 1764; d. Sept. 1, 1774.
3. SARAH[5], b. Aug. 19, 1774, d. June 19, 1794, m. Avery Cone, 1791, and had child, Welthia[6], b. 1791.

XIV.—JOHN[5] (*Thomas*[4], *Thomas*[3], *Thomas*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. Mar., 1751 (see p. 31, *ante*), or

XV.—JOHN WARD[5] (*Capt. John*[4], *Thomas*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]), of Tiverton, b. about 1745 (which, has not been satisfactorily determined, but was probably the latter), m. Abigail Tripp, dau. of Stephen Tripp, of Dartmouth, by Rev. Peleg Burroughs, Dec. 4 or 23, 1784. They had *seven* children:

1. SARAH[6], b. June 3, 1785.
2. PATIENCE[6], b. May 13, 1788.
3. PELEG[6], b. Apr. 22, 1790, m. Ruby Howard, Dec. 3, 1817, and they had children:
   i. STEPHEN[7], b. 1821, New Bedford, Mass.
   ii. B. H.[7], b. , New Bedford, Mass.
   iii. EMMA[7], b. m. Leavitt.
   iv. , b. , m. Chas. H. McCreery.

4. ELIZABETH[6] or BETSEY[6], b. Dec. 8, 1793.
5. STEPHEN[6], b. July 20, 1795.
6. JIRAH[6], b. June 8, 1798, who had a son:
   i. BENJAMIN[7], b. , who had a son (a) Alvin F.[8], b.
7. NANCY[6], b. Nov. 26, 1800, m. Simmons.
(?) THOMAS[6], b. Tiverton, R. I.

XVI.—John[5] (*Reuben*[4], *Thomas*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]). Will, June 22, 1833, Robert, executor; had *three* children:

1. REUBEN[6], b. m. Delight Howard, Jan. 6, 1802, and they had *seven* children:
   i. HENRY.[7]
   ii. JOHN[7], who had a son, Edward W.[8]
   iii. MARY A.[7]
   iv. JUDITH.[7]
   v. REUBEN.[7]
   vi. DANIEL H.[7], b. who had children:
      (a) Stephen.[8]
      (b) Daniel.[8]
      (c) John H.[8], of Westport, Mass.
      (d) Henry.[8]
   vii. PHEBE[7], b. about 1818. Delight was appointed guardian of minor children, Reuben, Daniel and Phebe over 14 years of age, July 31, 1832.
2. ROBERT[6], b. , administrator of estate of John, Westport, Mass., 1834; had a daughter, Ruth[7], administrator of estate of Robert, Westport, Mass., 1844.
3. MARY[6], b. , m. Allen.

XVII.— Reuben[5] (*Reuben*[4], *Thomas*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]), had a son:

1. REUBEN[6] (1768-1827), of Chester, Warren Co., N. Y., who had a son:
   i. GEORGE P.[7], of Caldwell, N. Y.

XVIII.—Thomas[4] (*Thomas*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. Feb. 29, 1715, m. Tabitha Ellis in West Greenwich, R. I., dau. of Gideon Ellis, June 5, 1743, by John Spencer, Justice, she was dau. of Jeremiah and Judith Ellis, and she was b. in 1721.

Thomas d. in 1790; his will was proven May 21, 1790, and a sample of the will executed over one hundred years old is given in D. Byron Wait's book, "A Genealogical

Sketch of a Branch of the Wait Family (Rhode Island Branch) of America," from which the records of this branch are taken. After Thomas's death, his widow came to Petersburg, N. Y., with her youngest son, Rufus, where she d. in 1813. They had *eight* children:

1. GIDEON[5], b. Mar. 3, 1745, d. Apr. 1, 1808, m. Apr. 6, 1766, at West Greenwich, to Lois Tripp, dau. of Peleg Tripp. She was b. Aug. 30, 1746, and d. Oct. 21, 1822. May, 1787, Gideon was 3d Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for Kent Co., R. I., and 2d Justice May, 1789. They had *thirteen* children:

i. DORCAS[6] (1767–1828).
ii. EUNICE[6] (1769–1823).
iii. SILAS[6], b. May 5, 1771, d. Dec. 30, 1853, and had *two* sons:
(a) Peleg T.[7], who had a son Silas[8] A., Oneco, Conn.
(b) Lloyd A.[7], b. 1835, Oneco, Conn.
iv. JEREMIAH[6], b. Feb. 22, 1773, d. Feb. 25, 1776.
v. SIMON[6], b. Feb. 23, 1775, d. Nov. 22, 1860, l. at Hammond, Lawrence Co., N. Y., had a son:
(a) Gideon R.[7], b. Jan. 8, 1813, who had children: (1)Henry[8], Rochester, N. Y., and (2)Milton[8], Rochester, N. Y., Henry[8] had a daughter (?), Vercilla[9].
vi. THOMAS[6], b. Oct. 22, 1776, d. June 15, 1858, had children.
(a) Gideon E.[7], b. Jan. 12, 1802 or Mar. 29, 1803, d. May 16, 1863, m. Sally Arnolds, June 22, 1822, and had children, Hannah[8], Elsie[8], Joseph J.[8], Sally[8] and Oury[8], Norwich, Ct.
(b) Albert M.[7], }
(c) Thomas[7], } Three bachelors of West Greenwich, R. I.
(d) Waterman[7], }
(e) Hannah[7], m.
(f) Elsie[7], m.
(g) Sally[7], m.
(h) Amy[7].
vii. GIDEON[6], b. Nov. 19, 1778, d. Nov. 25, 1820.
viii. REYNOLDS[6], b. Nov. 28, 1780, d. Feb. 10, 1837. Had children.
(a) Gideon[7], b. Jan. 12, 1812, at Coventry, R. I., and d. at Providence, R. I. He had a son, John D., Providence, and Henry C.
(b) Benjamin T.[7], b. Sept. 6, 1817, d. Mar. 10, 1874, West Greenwich, R. I., who had a son, John A.[8], of Providence, R. I.
(c) Allen B.[7], b. , Providence, R. I., who had a son, Theodore A.[8], of Providence, R. I.
(d) James B.[7], Warwick, R. I.

ix. Benjamin[6], b. Feb. 18, 1783, d. Jan., 1819.
x. Lois[6], b. Mar. 10, 1785, d. Jan. 11, 1867.
xi. A Son[6], b. Mar. 30, 1787, d. same day.
xii. Stephen[6], b. May 17, 1788, d. May 16, 1849, l. Sardinia, Erie Co., N. Y.
xiii. Hannah[6] (1791–1847).

2. Jeremiah[5], b. Apr. 1 or 12, 1749, at West Greenwich, m. Hannah Matteson. He was a Tory and moved to Manchester, Vt., in 1792, and from thence went to Black Creek, Ontario, and d. Apr. 2, 1823, and his wife d. Mar. 6, 1839. He had brothers who lived at Tonawanda, N. Y. They had *ten* children:

i. Jonathan[6], b. 1773, of Dumfried, Ont., had a son:
(a) Henry[7], b. May 24, 1811, Blenheim, Ont., who had a son, Rienzi[7], Washington, Ont.
ii. Sarah[6],
iii. Reuben[6], b. , Grand River, Can., had a son, Benjamin[7], who was banished in 1838 to Van Dieman's Land for political offenses in Canada. He was prominently connected with the outbreak "Patriot War" in Canada in 1837, and was tried and condemned to death at Toronto, but secured a new trial and was sent to England, condemned to penal servitude in Van Dieman's Land. He escaped after four years' imprisonment, and on his return to the States wrote and published "Wait's Narrative."
iv. Levy[6].
v. Thomas[6], b. Mar. 26, 1785, had sons:
(a) Milo J.[7], b. Mch. 6, 1818, who had a son
(1) C J.[8], Manchester, V. T.
(b) Thomas A.[7], West Greenwich, R. I.
vi. Hannah[6].
vii. Elizabeth[6].
viii. Amarilla[6].
ix. Mary[6].
x. Lucy Ann[6].
xi. Benjamin[6] (?).

3. Thomas[5], b. Apr. 10, 1755, m. Nami Weeks, Jan. 1, 1776; was an officer in Continental Army. They had *two* children:

i. Eunice[6].
ii. Lucy[6].

4. Mary[5], b. Feb. 11, 1757, d. Jan. 26, 1835, and m. Reuben Wait (*Capt. William*[5], *Capt. John*[4], *Thomas*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]), May 11, 1775. They had *five* children:

i. Mary[6], b. May 7, 1784.
ii. Reuben[6], b. May 2, 1786.

iii. SARAH[6], b. May 22, 1792.

iv. SILAS WARD[6], a Judge and member of N. Y. Assembly, 1842–1843, b. July 12, 1794, at Petersburg, N. Y., d. Jan. 20, 1869, m. Martha Odell (b. May 17, 1797), in 1818. She d. Apr. 1, 1846. Her sister Mary m, Benjamin, the father of D. Byron Wait, and another sister m. Gardner Wait. Silas W. m. also Hannah Wilcox (b. July 9, 1809), Mar. 9, 1851, and she d. Mar. 25, 1893; Silas W. and Martha and *six* children:

(a) Silas Franklin[7], b. May 17, 1819, d. Sept. 19, 1831.

(b) Mary Caroline[7], b. Apr. 30, 1821, m. Billings B. Hewitt Nov. 16, 1840.

(c) Lydia C.[7], b. May 26, 1826, d. Dec. 11, 1835.

(d) Emila Julietta[7], b. Jan. 22, 1834, d. Mar. 3, 1867.

(e) J. Annette[7], b. Apr. 9, 1835, m. James C. Allen Dec. 19 1855, lived at Huntington, W. Va.

(f) Viola Victoria[7], b, Mar. 29, 1838, m. Wm. K. Hawks Oct. 15, 1862.

v. RUFUS S.[6], b. June 5, 1798, d. May 20, 1860, m. Louis Maxon, b. Mar. 1, 1800, d. May 11, 1882, and had *eight* children:

(a) Adelia.[7]

(b) Rufus.[7]

(c) Sullivan.[7]

(d) Maria Saturia[7], m. John M. Stephens of Hasbrook Heights, N. J.

(e) Reuben S. F.[7], b. Mar. 27, 1834, m. Aug. 6, 1854, Betsy Maria, dau. of Jabez Hakes, and they had *two* children:

(1) Chester F.[8], b. June 20, 1855.

(2) William C.[8], b. Oct. 13, 1858, who had children, Millard Reuben[9], d. Dec. 12, 1901.

(f) Sophia.[7]

(g) Lois.[7]

(h) Irving.[7]

Rufus S. m. a second time Martha Odell.

5. LYDIA[5], b. Mar. 19, 1759, m. Dake Moon, Oct. 16, 1783, and they had *nine* children: Simon[6], Stephen[6], Rufus[6], Lydia[6], Electra[6], Thomas[6], Noel[6], Merritt[6] and Jefferson[6].

6. PELEG[5], b. Oct. 22, 1761, d. Oct. 17, 1847, m. Dec. 25, 1783, Mary Greene, b. East Greenwich, R. I., Mar. 24, 1766, dau. Benjamin and Mary (Greene) Green, he being a cousin of Gen. Nathaniel Greene. Peleg moved to Stephentown (now Petersburg) in Mar., 1785. They exchanged some household goods and a shot gun with a man by name of Wells, for his permit on the Van Rensselaer lands; obtained a lease of Stephen Van Rensselaer for the same, Mar. 13, 1793; on which farm they d., she on Feb. 3, 1862. They had *ten* children:

GREENE[6], b. Sept. 26, 1784, d. Oct. 18, 1868, m. Diadama Clarke in 1803, and m. Lydia Moon, b. Apr. 15, 1791, d. Jan. 3, 1867, dau. of Dake Moon (see *supra*), l. in Michigan. They had *fifteen* children:

(a) Greene C.[7], died 1883, m. Susan Stewart, and had children, Clemen O.[8], Laura[8], Philinda[8], Fidelia[8], Almanza[8], Elizabeth[8] and Rose[8].

(b) Nelson[7], m. Orpha Sylvester, and had children, Marvin[8], Laura[8], Martha[8], Lutheria[8], Stephen[8] and Addie[8].

(c) Electra[7], d. 1832, m. Nicholas Jones.

(d) Mercy[7], who d. young.

(e) Harriet[7], m. David Patterson and had *five* children.

(f) Noel M.[7], m. Louisa Smith and Polly Dunton, had *seven* children: Cynthia[8], Byron[8], Joel[8], John[8], Louisa[8], Harriet[8] and Electra[8].

(g) Amanda[7], d. 1851, m. Stephen Parish and had *four* children.

(h) Rufus M.[7], d. 1886, who was thrice m., to Nancy A. Carlinghouse, to Mary Coe, and to Cynthia Stevens.

(i) Laura[7], d. 1863, m. Asa W. Farr and had children: Alice[8], Elma[8], Lyman[8] and States[8].

(j) Lydia[7], d. 1863, m. Dewitt C. Chapman and had *nine* children.

(k) Henry[7], d. 1889, m. Caroline McCrossen.

(l) Alice[7], m. George Jennings.

(m) Lyman O.[7], m. Mercilla Lincoln and Valeria Brown and had *five* children: Marcus[8], Rufus[8], Lydia[8], Ada[8] and Blanche[8].

(n) Julia[7], m. William C. Ward.

(o) Lucinda P.[7], d. 1854, m. Daniel Slout.

(p) Sardinia E.[7], m. Zideon Pierce and had *one* child.

ii. CLARK G.[6], b. Apr. 3, 1787, d. Oct. 11, 1838, at Lockport, N. Y., m. Sept. 1808, Abigail Phillips, b. May 14, 1701, and they settled at Granville, N. Y., she d. at Hartford, N. Y., June 3, 1863. They had *thirteen* children:

(a) Pamelia[7], d. 1881, m. Samuel B. Warren and had *three* children.

(b) Elverton J.[7], m. Abigail Roblee and Elizabeth Benway and they had *eight* children: Elverton E.[8], Manser K.[8], Malden C.[8], Josephine[8], Emma[8], Sarah E.[8], Merton B.[8] and Martha[8].

(c) Clare G.[7], d. 1888, m. Charlotte Warren and Margaret Austin and they had *three* children: Ella[8], Malcolm[8] and Lewis K[8].

(d) Hamilton L.[7], d. 1882, m. Esther Waller and they had *three* children: Lucy[8], Martha[8] and Sarah[8].

(e) Manser K.[7], d. 1892, m. Julia A. Haile and they had *seven* children: Josephine[8], Pamelia Clarke[8], Cassius[8], Ida[8], Emma[8], Charles[8] and Istelle[8].

(f) Adaniram J.[7], d. m. Caroline Bull and Amelia A. Landon and the had *four* children: Missouri L.[8], Alsena[8], Alton P.[8] and A. Judson[8].

(g) Priscilla[7], m. Eli Ray, and they had *three* children, Adelaide A.[8], Malden[8] and Katharine[8].
(h) Martha[7], m. Henry Lefft.
(i) Philetus G.[7], d. 1881, m. Delia Hale, and they had *seven* children: Delia[8], Altona[8], Eva[8], Inez[8], Laura[8], Nora[8] and Philetus[8].
(j) Leander R.[7], m. Mehitable Martin, and they had *seven* children, Levi[8], Eva[8], Charles[8], Mary[8], Martha[8], Manir K.[8] and Edward[8].
(k) Abigail[7], m. Zacharia Sill.
(l) Dewitt C.[7], d. young.
(m) Harlan P.[7], m. Betty Laws.

iii. MERCY[6], b. Apr. 4, 1789, d. Dec. 11, 1876, at Rodman, N. Y., m. 1812 to William Gardner, and they had *two* children:

(a) Peleg W.[7] (who m. Julia A. Wait).
(b) William Harrison[7].

iv. THOMAS[6], b. May 1, 1791, d. Mar. 24, 1861, in Michigan, m. Chloe J. Roblee, Apr. 13, 1821. She d. Oct. 11, 1884. They had *seven* children:

(a) Eliza J.[7]
(b) Maty L.[7]
(c) Matilda A.[7], who m. Levi H. Lockwood.
(d) Damaris A.[7], who m John S. Corbin.
(e) Raxie E.[7]
(f) Franklin P.[7]
(g) Mary[7], who m. Dr. David McCrossen, who had *one* child, Medora L.[8]

v. BENJAMIN GREENE[6], b, Apr. 7, 1793, d. Mar. 27, 1861, m. Mar. 30, 1817, Mary Odell, dau. of Jonathan and Mary (Abbot) Odell; Mary was b. Aug. 20, 1798, and she was a sister of Mrs. Lydia Baxter, the poetess. They lived at Petersburgh, 1817, Granville, 1818–26, and at Canadice, 1826–61. They had children:

(a) Oran Leelan[7], b. Mar. 27, 1818, d. Feb. 24, 1847.
(b) Benjamin Riley[7], b. Nov. 19, 1819, d. Dec. 25, 1880.
(c) Edwin Giles[7], b. June 11, 1824, m. May 13, 1856, Julia E. Stone, and in March, 1849, went to California, and in 1893 was Secretary of State. They had children:

(1) Ida Victoria[8], b. Feb. 12, 1857, d. July 7, 1860.
(2) Julia Bertha[8], b. Aug. 27, 1861.
(3) Mary Agnes[8], b. Dec. 16, 1864, m. Dec. 3, 1885, G. I. Remmel.
(4) Effie Genivieve[8], b. Feb. 24, 1871.
(5) Edith Alice[8], b. Mar. 22, 1873.

(d) Dennis Byron[7], b. Feb. 29, 1828, at Canadice, N. Y., m. Sept. 4, 1855, Harriet Merinda Brown, b. June 28, 1833, oldest dau. Maurice and Merinda (Fox) Brown. They lived at Canadice, where she d. Oct. 15, 1869. To D. Byron Wait the Rhode Island Family is deeply indebted for his researches and publication of his branch of the Wait family. They had children:

(1) B. Audubon[8], b. Apr. 7, 1857, lived at Little Falls, Wash. 1890, and at Waneta, B. C., 1893.
(2) Genevra[8], b. Jan. 17, 1859, d. Apr. 9, 1873.
(3) Buretta[8], b. Aug. 19, 1860, d. Nov. 27, 1881, m. Nov. 27, 1879, Dayton Muehler, and had *one* child, Percival, b. Feb. 18, 1881.
(4) G. Percival[8], b. July 30, 1862, and went to Kettle Falls, Wash., in 1890.

Dennis Byron[7] m. again m. Apr. 16, 1872, Amanda M. Colvin, b. Feb. 18, 1839.

(e) Mary Emeline[7], b. Mar. 22, 1830, d. Sept. 19, 1863, m. Apr. 22, 1857, Charles O. Ball, lived at Hastings, Minn. They had children: C. Arthur and Charles Albers.

(f) Emily Augusta[7], b. June 17, 1833, m. Jan. 9, 1856, David S. Burton, and lived at Rochester, N. Y. They had children: Clarence D., Willie B., Edwin W., Edgar, Hannah A. All dead.

vi. ALICE[6], b. July 6, 1795, d. Sept. 26, 1827, m. Feb. 17, 1817, James B. Hewitt, and they had children: Alamanza, Peleg W., Mary, Emily and Alice.

vii. TABITHA[6], or Polly[6], b. Apr. 18, 1797, m. Spink Matteson Sept. 6, 1835, lived at Forreston, Ill., and their children were Clark K. and Harlow L.

viii. MARY[6], c. Apr. 30, 1799, d. Dec. 30, 1853, m. Sept. 25, 1823, Calb Wells. They had children: Horace W., Mary M., William S., Zacheus C., Pamelia and Priscella.

ix. LOIS[6], b. Dec. 8, 1801, d. Sept. 11, 1873, m. Sept. 12, 1824, Calvin P. Hill, and they had children: Orrin D., Laura A., Alice M., Clarke C. and Frances A.

x. LAURA[6], b. Nov 5, 1804, d. Dec. 5, 1831.

7. RUFUS[5], b. Apr. 23, 1764; m. Dec. 2, 1784, Eunice Hall, and their children were:

i. DUTY[6].
ii. LYDIA[6].
iii. JEREMIAH[6].
iv. JOHN[6].
v. LOIS[6].
vi. GARDNER[6], b. Dec. 23, 1801, of Harton, Jackson Co., Mich., had as son R—— G.[7], Westfield, N. Y.

8. ALICE[5], b. 1769, d. 1828; m. William Potter and went to Vermont.

XIX.—STEPHEN[4] (*Joseph*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]), m. in Dartmouth, Mary Tripp, May, 1764, and after her death m. Lillis Church, Mar. 10, 1776.

His will was dated Apr. 15, and proved Oct. 6, 1778, in which are mentioned wife Lillis, sons Shadrach and Gideon,

and daughter Mary. "Sons to support Aunt Tabitha." Children by first wife:

1. SHADRACH[5], b. in Dartmouth, Mar. 17, 1765; d. Apr. 25, 1850; m. in Dartmouth, Susannah Tripp; b. Apr. 15, 1769; d. Dec. 25, 1861.

They had children:

i. STEPHEN[6], b. Nov. 12, 1785, d. Apr., 1879.
ii. JOSEPH[6], b, Apr. 29, 1788, d. Sept. 5, 1865.
iii. ELIZABETH[6], b. Jan. 5, 1790, d. Oct. 3, 1870.
iv. RUTH[6], b. Jan. 6, 1792.
v. MARY[6], b. Jan 31, 1794, d. 1869.
vi. GIDEON[6], b. Dec. 19, 1795.
vii. ABSALOM[6], b. Sept. 11, 1797; lived at Hagadorus Mills, Saratoga Co., N. Y.
viii. DESIRE[6], b. Oct. 20, 1799, d. 1872.
ix. DIANA[6], b. Jan. 27, 1801, d. Nov. 13, 1858.
x. ESTHER A.[6], b. Mar. 4, 1803.
xi. DANIEL T.[6], b. Jan. 2, 1805, d. May 13, 1806.
xii. JONATHAN[6], b. Sept. 28, 1806, d. Feb., 1807.
xiii. WILLIAM S.[6], b. Dec. 28, 1808, lived at Belle Center, Wis.
xiv. DANIEL D.[6], b. Oct. 6, 1811, lived at Fowlersville, Mich.
xv. SARAH W.[6], b. Mar. 24, 1814.

2. GIDEON[5], b. in Dartmouth, July 22, 1766; m. Aug. 17, 1788, in Westport (which, previous to 1787, formed a part of Dartmouth), Desire, dau. of Daniel Tripp, b. Apr. 18, 1765. In 1795 he removed to Galway, Saratoga Co., N. Y., where he d. Jan. 13, 1858. His wife d. Sept., 1845. Their children were:

i. WILLIAM TILLINGHAST[6], b. at Westport, Mass., June 13, 1789. m. in Barkerville, N. Y., July 14, 1811, Pamela (dau. of Samuel Shove Barker), b. Apr. 21, 1792. He d. in Galway, Mar. 24, 1841; she d. at Sandy Hill, N. Y., Jan. 28, 1872. They had children:

XX.—(a) Nelson William[7], b. in Galway, Dec. 27, 1812.
(b) Samuel Barker[7], b. in Galway, Sept. 30, 1814. m. Jan. 17, 1852, Mary E. Prall, b. Dec. 25, 1830, d. May 8, 1879. They had children:

(1) William Nelson, b. Feb. 10, 1855, d. June 10, 1857.
(2) Catherine Salina, b. May 30, 1857, m. Oct. 27, 1881, George A. Griffin, and they had *two* children, Mamie Elizabeth Griffin, b. May 18, 1884, and Eliza Griffin, b. Mar. 31, 1888.

(c) Lydia Elmina[7], b. in Galway, June 25, 1817, m. Sept. 2, 1843, Dr. Darius Mathewson. They had children: James William, b. July 6, 1845, d. Mar. 22, 1858; Phœbe Pamela, b. Mar. 18, 1848, d. Mar. 23, 1849; Frank Nelson, b. Sept. 8, 1850, d. Nov. 21, 1851; Emma Louisa, b. Apr. 12, 1855, d. Mar. 13, 1858; Hettie, b. Oct. 23, 1858, d. Dec. 15, 1866.

(d) Philip Hart[7], b. in Galway, July 28, 1819, m. Dec. 28, 1842, Lydia Ann (daughter of Amos Marihew), b. May 25, 1825.

(e) Rhoda Desire[7], b. in Galway, Mar. 14, 1826, d. July 5, 1856, m. Dec. 12, 1850, William S. Taylor. They had children: Pamela Jean, b. 1851, d. Jan. 11, 1873; Isabella Frances, b. Oct., 1853, d. Mar. 13, 1858.

ii. RHODA[6], b. in Westport July 10, 1791, d. June 26, 1835, m. at Galway, N. Y., to Philip Hart in 1811.

3. MARY[5], by second wife, Lillis, b. in Dartmouth; m. Jonathan White, Apr. 8, 1789.

XX. — NELSON WILLIAM[7] (*William T.*[6], *Gideon*[5], *Stephen*[4], *Joseph*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]), b. Dec. 27, 1812, m. in Glenville, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1836, Betsey (daughter of John Potter Green), b. in Glenville, Oct. 8, 1815. He removed to Sandy Hill, N. Y., May, 1850. They had children:

1. JOHN WILLIAM[8], b. in Galway, Aug. 25, 1839; d. May 2, 1903; m. in Amsterdam, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1866, Mary Antoinette (dau. of George Warnick, Esq.), (see genealogy of Keyes family, by Asa Keyes, Brattleboro, Vt., 1880). They had children:

i. NELSON WILLIAM[9], b. in Sandy Hill, Nov. 5, 1867.
ii. GEORGE WARNICK[9], b. in Sandy Hill, Sept. 12, 1869.
iii. MARY FRANKLIN[9], b. in Sandy Hill, July 20, 1876.

2. MARY ANN[8], b. in Galway, July 17, 1844; m. Oct. 26, 1869, Thomas Lloyd Dalton. They had child: Nelson Wait Dalton, b. in Sandy Hill, Oct. 28, 1873.

3. LYDIA PAMELA[8], b. in Galway, Feb. 15, 1846; m. Oct. 26, 1871, Charles Edward Noble. They had children: Mary Riggs Noble, b. in Sandy Hill, Oct. 1, 1872; Harvey Fish Noble, b. in Sandy Hill, March 9, 1875; Bessie Wait Noble, b. in Colorado Springs, Aug. 5, 1878; d. Oct. 15, 1878.

XXI.—DANIEL[5] (*Samuel*[4], *Joseph*[3], *Reuben*[2], *Thomas*[1]). He was a cooper by trade and also a farmer.

On Mar. 17, 1787, Daniel[5] was grantee of lands adjacent to those of Jeremiah Wait, from Stokes Potter; and on Dec. 2, 1789, as yeoman, he was grantee of a piece of land at the head of the Apponagansett River, on the highway, conveyed to him by William Barker; on July 7, 1791, Abraham Tucker conveyed 881 rods of land to Daniel near the head of the Apponagansett River; July 11, 1791, Philip

Shearman conveyed to him land at the head of Apponagansett River; Aug. 25, 1791, William Barker conveyed lands to him; Oct. 31, 1791, Ahijah Shearman conveyed lands to him; Feb. 7, 1792, Job Devoll conveyed 51 acres to him, with witnesses by the name of Tripp; Nov. 3, 1792, Ahijah Shearman, of Rensselaer, County of Rensselaer, New York, cooper, for 80 Spanish milled dollars in had paid by Daniel, yeoman, of Dartmouth, Bristol County, Mass., conveyed land in Dartmouth. The deed was executed in Albany County, and the sister of the grantor, Shearman (Mary Aken), owned land next to the above parcel, which shows that Daniel had acquaintances and was in communication with friends in Albany and Rensselaer counties, New York, in 1792.

Apponagansett lies at the head of the Apponagansett River, which, though called a river, is but an arm of the sea and comes to an abrupt end, within 100 feet of which is an old stone wall. This is a very old settlement and is the location of the town hall of the town of Dartmouth, where the town records are kept. The highway crosses a small creek scarcely 10 feet in width, about 200 feet above the head of the Apponagansett River, by which the above land was described. Except the town the hamlet contains only a blacksmith's shop at present (1903). The location of the lands conveyed to Daniel could not be mistaken, as the head of the Apponagansett River is so well defined.

On Sept. 9, 1790, for 90 Spanish milled silver dollars, Daniel Wait conveyed to Joseph Tucker and David Gifford, of Dartmouth, 8 acres of land adjacent to that of Deborah Shearman and Philip Shearman and Elijah Russell, which lands were at the head of the Apponagansett River, being the same land that was set off at the head of the Apponagansett and a part of the homestead of Abraham Shearman that was set off to his daughter, Hannah, the wife of Abraham Tucker. This conveyance was executed by Phebe Wait, the wife of Daniel, who did yield up her power of thirds and dower, etc., of Sept. 9, 1793. Apr. 26, 1792, Daniel Wait conveyed to Henry Wilcox lands adjoining the above, and Phebe Wait, by her mark, joined in the conveyance, which was acknowledged May 17, 1792. Jan. 29, 1794, Daniel Wait conveyed to Joshua Weeks, a blacksmith of Westport, lands adjacent to the above in Dartmouth, and Phebe Wait, by her mark, joined in the conveyance.

This is the last recorded conveyance by Daniel, in Jan., 1794. The above evidence shows that Daniel and Phebe had acquaintances at Westport.

June 10, 1796, Lemuel Manchester, of Westport, made his will, which was probated Nov. 7, 1797, by which he gave to his daughter, Phebe Manchester Wait, 1 cow, 12 sheep, all his household goods and indoor movables of every sort and kind that he had not otherwise before given away, except one chest to his son James. He also gave to Daniel Wait a note upon Job Albro which he had theretofore given to Daniel to collect. The above will and inventory are in probate records at Taunton, Mass., Vol. 35, pp.173-176. John Tripp made the inventory of Lemuel Manchester's goods, etc.

This shows conclusively that Daniel married Phebe Manchester, and that probably they were living in Dartmouth. in 1796. The last child recorded in the Town Clerk's office in Apponagansett born of Daniel and Phebe was James, born Jan. 6, 1785.

Daniel served as a private in Capt. Benjamin Wilcox's company, in Col. Nathan Freeman's regiment from Bristol County, Mass., which company served in an expedition to Rhode Island for one month, Sept. 29 to Oct. 29, 1777 (p. 157, Mss. records of companies of the town of Dartmouth, Mass., in public library, New Bedford). Daniel's name also appears on the pay-roll or voucher for wages, mileage and subsistence due to the XXX company, in the 2nd regiment in Bristol County, for duty in the late army at Rhode Island, made and accruing to the Continental establishment. The voucher was for Daniel Wait and others, privates, for five days; traveled 18 miles from Aug. 3 to Aug. 8, 1780. This service was rendered as a private in a company commanded by Capt. Avery Parker, of Dartmouth, Mass., in Col. John Hathaway's regiment, of Bristol County, for six days on an alarm at Rhode Island. Henry, probably the brother of Daniel, was also a private in the same company and expedition, and John Wait was a member of Capt. Manassah Kempton's company, of the same regiment, in July and Aug., 1777.

The bans or intentions, so-called among the Quakers, of Daniel Wait and Phebe Manchester, were published September 25, 1775, but the date of the marriage is not recorded in the public records of Dartmouth Township. The

impression prevails among the descendants of Daniel and Phebe that she, Phebe, was the widow of one Shaw, but that is believed to be a mistake, as is shown by the records in Dartmouth Township and the will of Lemuel Manchester.

Daniel's acquaintance with Phebe Manchester may have grown out of business relations between Samuel Wait, his father, and Lemuel Manchester, her father, as is shown by two conveyances: one, Nov. 20, 1758, from Samuel Wait to Lemuel Manchester, 30 acres, "being all my homestead from where I now live, together with all houses, buildings," etc., bounded by land of David Tripp and partly by land belonging to Gabriel Hix, and by land of Thomas Cory, westerly by land of John Taber and by the highway that leadeth from Jonathan Taber's mills to Friends' Meeting House, in Acoakset Village, etc. (This land was doubtless in Westport, near Hix's Bridge, where Samuel Wait and Lemuel Manchester are believed to have lived. This is shown by the above records, where Phebe Manchester is recorded as from Westport); and two, a conveyance dated July 31, 1759, when Lemuel Manchester conveyed to Samuel Wait land in Dartmouth, Bristol County (Westport?), described as being adjacent to that of David Tripp, Gabriel Hix and John Taber, which without doubt is the above described premises. Allie, the wife of Lemuel, joined in this conveyance. From the above it appears that in Nov., 1758, Samuel conveyed his homestead to Manchester, who, in about eight months, reconveyed it back to Samuel. This may have been prompted by business exigencies.

It may be explained, however, by the fact that on the same day, July 31, 1759, Samuel Wait, yeoman, conveyed to William Wood, yeoman, 28 acres, "being all of my homestead farm where I now live, with houses and buildings, which followeth northerly on a highway that leadeth from Philip Taber's mills along the land of John Potter; thence easterly by lands of David Tripp and belonging to ye heirs of John Taber and partly by lands of Gabriel Hix; thence southerly by lands of Thomas Cory," etc., which is plainly the lands above described from Samuel Wait to Manchester, and from Manchester to Samuel. This last deed was signed by Samuel and Theodate Wait, his wife, each by his and her mark.

Samuel had evidently made Lemuel Manchester his confidant, and probably the relations between the families were

intimate, thus making Daniel Wait acquainted with Phebe Manchester.

Daniel having prior to 1794 sold his lands to others, and Lemuel Manchester having died prior to Nov. 7, 1797, and James, the last child, presumably born at Dartmouth in 1785, fixes the probable date of Daniel's departure for Albany and Saratoga counties, New York, these circumstances having put him in funds to make the departure. If Daniel did not go to Saratoga County in 1797 or thereabouts, he did doubtless leave Dartmouth.

It is a significant fact that the oldest inhabitants of Apponagansett have no recollections whatever of Daniel Wait or of any other family of Waits that lived in that neighborhood, nor is there any physical evidence of their residence there except the public records described and also the records of the Society of Friends or so-called Quakers.

By these records of the Friends (now, 1903, in the possession of Nathaniel Howland, of South Dartmouth, Mass.), Samuel's uncle, Benjamin, and his aunts, Abigail and Tabitha, were witnesses to intentions to marry, as follows: Tabitha Wait, Abigail Tripp and Wait Tripp, on Feb. 19, 1726; Benjamin Wait and Abigail Tripp, Mar. 3, 1737. There also appears in said records of the Society of Friends the name of Patience Wait, Nov. 18, 1756 (Patience was the wife of Jeremiah and had child Abner, Feb. 17, 1756), and Wait Shearman, Jan. 11, 1729. From these records it is quite evident that several at least of the children of Reuben Wait belonged to the Society of Friends. The policy of this society was to forbid or at least to discourage the marking of graves with headstones. The result is that the burial ground of this same society, located about half way between Dartmouth (Russell's Mills) and Apponagansett, has no gravestones prior to 1800, and very few since then, although it is estimated to contain several thousand graves.

Daniel[5], b. Mar. 21, 1754 (Nov. 1, 1753, or in 1751); d. Nov. 15, 1829, at Reading, N. Y., and buried at Reading in Lake Road Cemetery; m. Phebe Manchester of Apponagansett, Mass., Sept. 25, 1775, b. Aug. 12, 1754, d. Sept. 11, 1838. They had *twelve* children:

1. Abigail[6], Dec. 8, 1775, at Dartmouth, Mass., and lived in Yates Co., N. Y.; d. June 11, 1831. She married Joshua

Stoddard and they had children, one of whom lived at Dix, N. Y.

2. EBENEZER[6], b. Feb. 29, 1777, at Dartmouth, Mass.; d. July 4, 1844, at Unadilla, N. Y. He was a farmer and married Rebecca Wilbur, of Saratoga, N. Y., at Sand Hill, N. Y. They had *five* children. (For a second wife Ebenezer m. Susan Sisson.

i. THOMAS[7], b. June 26, 1798, at Unadilla, N. Y., d. Feb. , 1835, at Bolivar, Alleghany Co., N. Y., farmer; m. Amanda Cowles of Unadilla, at Unadilla, in 1821; she m. again Joseph Mulkin, and d. about 1880. They had *five* children:

(a) Cyna[8], who died young.
(b) Sally[8], b. 1822 or '25, d. 1857, m. Horace Scott, Sept., 1850.
(c) Llewelyn, d. aged 17.
(d) Samuel Newton[8], b. 1823 or '27, d. 1864 or '68 at Annapolis, Md., in the Navy; m. Julia Busby 1860–65.
(e) Andrew J[8], b. 1827 or '30, d. Aug. 7, 1857.
(f) Mary[8], b. 1832. There are no living descendants of Thomas[7].

ii. STEPHEN[7], b. Mar. 2, 1802, at Unadilla, N. Y., d Oct. 6, 1872, at Otego, N. Y., he was a farmer; m. Anna Rowley of Otego, N. Y., at Otego, Feb. 19, 1824 (Apr. 25, 1824). They had *five* children:

(a) David[8], b. Dec. 8, 1824, at Otego, Otsego, Co., N. Y., m. Abigail Davis at Sand Hill, Otsego Co., N. Y. She was b. in 1825 at Unadilla, N. Y. They had *four* children:

(1) Stephen[9], b. Jan., 1850, d. Dec. , 1890, m. Oct. 14, 1874 Etta Hodge, had two children, William D. and a dau. b. May 14, 1888, d. Oct. 6, 1891.
(2) Sylvia[9] b. May 25, 1854, m Jan. 1, 1875 to Walter Latham
(3) Charles[9], b. , 1858, m. Sept. 10, 1881, to Addie Steele, had one son, Frank D.; Charles married for second wife Alice Mallory.
(4) Carrie[9], b. Aug. 14, 1865, m. Jan. 1889, to Thomas Southard, and they have two sons.

(b) Charles[8], b. Jan. 12, 1830, at Guilford, N. Y., m. Molly A. Miller at Beech Creek, Pa., on July 21, 1860, and they lived at Lock Haven, Pa. She d. Nov. 15, 1886. They had *three* children:

(1) George J.[9], b. Sept. 16, 1861, m. Annie R. Earns of Lock Haven, Pa., May 6, 1891, had two children, Vera Viola, b. Dec. 7, 1892, Charles Leslie, b. Jan. 31, 1894.
(2) Charles Ellis[9], b. Feb. 6, 1866, m. Margaret J. Saltsman, June 14, 1893. They lived at Lock Haven, Pa.
(3 Minnie Olive[9], b. May 19, 1868, m. J. William Hamberger at Castanea, Nov. 25, 1897.

(c) Susan[8], b. June 14, 1842, at Otego, N. Y., d. Nov. 27, 1897, at Otego, N. Y., m. James Terry in 1859, at Otego. They had fourteen children, *ten* of whom lived to maturity.

(d) Lovica[8], b. July 23, 1252, at Otego, Otsego Co., N. Y., m W. A. Secor of Mt. Upton, N. Y. They lived at Otego, N. Y., and had *three* children.

(1) Anna Secor, b. May 11, 1881.
(2) Charles Secor, b. Sept. 23, 1885.
(3) Alice L. Secor, b. June 27, 1898

(e) Lodica[8], b. July 23, 1852, at Otego, N. Y., m. David Orr, at Oneonta, Oct., 1872. They lived at Oneonta and have *one* child, John, b. 1873.

iii. SAMUEL[7], b. Aug. 18, 1804, d. Feb. 9, 1885, lived at Sand Hill, Unadilla, N. Y., m. Phebe Cranston who died soon after their marriage, m. again Sept. 26 or Nov. 16, 1837, to Rhoda Potter, d. Feb. 25, 1848, buried in Wilber Burial Ground. They had *three* children :

(a) Thomas[8], b. Feb. 22, 1839, at Unadilla, lived at Sacremento, Neb., m. March, 1863, to Emma Jane Jucket, b. Aug. 15, 1837, d. Jan. 23, 1890. No children, m. again Sept. 25, 1890, to Christena Lucas.

(b) William[8], b. Mar. 15, 1840, d. Apr. 4, 1852.

(c) Hiram S.[8], b. Dec. 21, 1841, m. Harriet Caroline Walt, Mar. 19, 1879, she died Jan. 10, 1892. No children.

Sept. 26, 1848, Samuel Wait, married Amy Post of Sand Hill, a daughter of Elsie (1787) Wait Post and a first cousin of her husband. They had *one* son who died an infant.

iv. AHIJAH[7], b. Jan. 17, 1812, at Unadilla, N. Y., d. at Sand Hill, N. Y., in 1881, he was a farmer, m. Jane Spencer, of Maryland, N. Y., at Maryland, N. Y. They had *eight* children :

(a) Philinda[8], b. Dec. 29, 1839, m. Ira Truman of Butternuts, N. Y., Oct. 17, 1859.

(b) Annie[8], b. Sept. 5, 1841, d. Nov. 18, 1853, at Unadilla.

(c) Armenia[8], b. Dec. 1, 1842, m. Albert Young, of Unadilla, Nov. 6, 1861.

(d) Sarah[8], b. July 22, 1844, m. William Hoyt, of Walton, Jan. 15, 1879.

(e) Marie C.[8], b. Jan. 7, 1846, m. John Gates, of Unadilla, Jan. 17, 1872.

(f) John S.[8], b. Mar. 21, 1850, d. Nov. 24, 1853.

(g) Emma[8], b. July 9, 1855, m. Orville Smith, of Easten, Feb. 1, 1877.

(h) Marrietta[8], b. Aug. 30, 1847, m. Charles H. Delevan, of Sidney, N. Y., Mar. 26, 1873.

v. ANNIE[7], b. Jan. 6, 1818, at Unadilla, d. Feb. 31, 1841, at Shakers, near Watervliet, N. Y. She m. Simeon Spencer, of Maryland, N. Y., later of Unadilla, N. Y., at Sand Hill, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1838. He was b. Dec. 12, 1813, and d. Aug. 2, 1879. They had *one* child Elijah who d. in infancy.

3. AMY[6], b. Dec. 31, 1780; lived at Cohoes, N. Y.; d. Oct. 31, 1852, at Cohoes, N. Y. She married Samuel Wrightly and again Noah Howard, Nov. 6, 1808. They had *one* son.

4. SAMUEL[6], b. Nov. 21, 1782 (Nov. 20, 1783), at Dartmouth, Mass.; lived at Hector, Schuyler County, N. Y. He was a farmer; d. , 18 , at Hector, N. Y., and is buried at Reading, Lake Road Cemetery. He m. Miss Legett (Mrs. Reliance Calvert), mother of Mrs. Ahijah Wait (1791-2), of Reading, Steuben (now Schuyler) Co., Mar. 7, 1814, and she is buried at Reading, Lake Road Cemetery. Samuel[6] Wait was in the War of 1812 on the Canadian Frontier and honorably discharged. They had *one* child:

i. SAMUEL WRIGHTLY[7], b. 1813, at Hector or Reading, N. Y.; d. August, 1894, at Watkins. He lived at Watkins, N. Y., and had several children, one of whom is Lewis Wait, Watkins, N. Y.

5. JAMES[6], b. Jan. 6, 1784, at Dartmouth, Bristol Co., Mass.; d. Sept. 1, 1855, at Briar Creek, Otego, Otsego Co., N. Y.; m. Dec. 10, 1807, at Saratoga, N. Y., to Elizabeth Thompson, of Stillwater, Saratoga Co., N. Y. She was b. Mar. 19, 1792; d. Jan. 11, 1857, at Otego, Otsego Co., N. Y. (Briar Creek). They had *ten* children:

i. JESSE[7], b. Feb. 25, 1808, not married, d. Sept. 21, 1828.

ii. HARMAN VAN VEIGHTON[7], b. May 23, 1811, d. Oct. 26, 1876, lived at Port Crane, N. Y., m. Emily C. Edsall. She was b. Jan. 17, 1819, at Vernon, N. J. Her father was Seely Edsall, who was the son of Col. Edsall, an officer in the Revolutionary war. They had *four* children:

(a) James Edsall[8], b. Sept. 17, 1837, m. Sept. 10, 1867, to Sarah Jane Brizzee. They had *eight* children, of whom only *two* lived to maturity:

(1) Arthur James[9], b. Dec. 5, 1879, near Windsor, N. Y.
(2) Helen Margaret[9], b. Aug. 5, 1889, at Binghamton, N. Y.

(b) Mary Ellen[8], b. Dec. 23, 1838, m. Ambrose L. Davis, Feb. 9, 1870. A. L. Davis d. Aug. 5, 1899. They had *two* children:

(1) Nellie Anna, b. Oct. 4, 1874.
(2) Ambrose Edsall, b. Aug. 22, 1876.

(c) George Henry[8], b. June 28, 1848, m. Alice E. Hinkley, Sept. 20, 1871. They had *no* children.

(d) Florence Elizabeth[8], b. Aug. 16, 1852, m. William J. Hughson, Oct. 1, 1872. W. J. Hughson d. May 19, 1882. They had *one* child, who died young. She m. again Robert Bishop, Feb. 28, 1895. They had no children.

iii. JAMES, JR.[7], b. Nov. 17, 1813, at Otego, Otsego Co., N. Y., d. Nov. 1, 1876, at Hollisterville, Pa., m. Jerusha Hollister, Sept. 20, 1838, in Salem, Wayne Co., Pa. She died Oct. 3, 1840, in Sterling, Wayne Co., Pa. They had *one* child :

(a) Jerusha[8], b. Sept. 19, 1840, m. Sept. 16, 1874, to Florence B. Hamlin ; m again, Nov. 25, 1886, to S. F. Mitchell.

James[7], m. again Harriet Hollister, June 5, 1845. She d. Mar. 17, 1901, at Hollisterville, Pa. All buried in Hamilton Cemetery, Salem, Wayne Co., Pa. They had *six* children.

(b) William Hollister[8], b. Apr. 2, 1846, at Hollisterville, Wayne Co., Pa., m. Ada G. Pellett, Sept. 16, 1874. They had *four* children :

(1) James Edmund, b. July 7, 1876, d. Mar., 1877.
(2) Susan F., b. Oct. 11, 1879.
(3) Joseph S., b. Feb. 22, 1881.
(4) William Donald, b. Sept. 11, 1882.

(c) Franklin James[8], b. Feb. 3 or 5, 1849 ; not married.

(d) Mary Elizabeth[8], b. Sept. 1, 1850, d. Nov. 25, 1903; not married.

(e) Asa Wellington[8], b. Aug. 20, 1852 ; not married.

(f) Lillian Celestia[8], b. Oct 20, 1854 m. Samuel H. Hankins, Sept. 29, 1875. They had *five* children :

(1) Fred, b. Nov. 8, 1876, d. Aug. 20, 1877.
(2) Nellie Harriet, b. July 16, 1878, d. Apr. 26, 1880,
(3) Walter H., b. Jan. 28, 1882.
(4) Eva Lillian, b. Oct. 3, 1883, d. Mar. 16, 1884.
(5) Maud Winifred, b Apr. 5, 1885.

(g) Helen Harriet[8], b. Sept. 20, 1858, m. John E. Elliott, Sept. 26, 1883. They had *six* children, *three* of whom lived :

(1) Mildred J., b. June 28, 1892.
(2) E. Leonard, b. Oct. 1, 1894.
(3) Helen Norvell, b. Apr. 23, 1897.

iv. JOHN[7], b. Jan. 25, 1816, d. Jan. 30, 1876, m. Durenna Cook of Morris, N. Y., May 15, 1844, at Butternuts, N. Y. She was b. June 17, 1819 (and was living Jan. 31, 1903). They had *two* children :

(a) Cedelia N.[8], b. Sept. 30, 1846, m. Alex. M. Thompson at Rosemount, Minn., Sept. 25, 1870.

(b) Addie A.[8], b. Oct. 25, d. July 6, 1869.

v. REUBEN PERRY[7], b. Aug. 17, 1818, d. Apr. 14, 1890, m. Adeline Pherdum, Feb. 8, 1854, at Delhi, N. Y. She was b. at Andes, Delaware, May 19, 1829. They lived at Norwich, N. Y. Had *one* child :

(a) Edward R., b. Sept. 12, 1857 ; d. Aug. 17, 1886 ; m, Jennie Bostwick at South Hadley Falls, Mass., Jan. 9, 1884. They had *no* children.

vi. MARY ELIZA[7], b. Sept. 6, 1821, at Otego, N. Y., m. Feb. 3, 1858, at Norwich, N. Y., to Rufus Collins. He was b. May 30, 1816, and d. Oct. 2, 1885, at Sand Hill, N. Y. They had *two* children :

(a) Laura Elizabeth Collins[8], b. Dec. 10 1858; m. Nov. 19, 1890, at Norwich, N. Y., to George Holmes. He d. Mar. 16, 1899, at Sand Hill, N. Y. They had *one* child: Clara Jessie, b. Sept. 27, 1893.

(b) James Jerub Collins[8], b. July 7, 1865; m Clara Wendell, of Sidney, N. Y., Sept. 20, 1886. They had *no* children.

vii. Ebebezer F.[7], b. Nov. 3, 1824, d. Nov. 4, 1897, lived at Otego (Briar Creek), Otsego Co., N. Y., m. Elizabeth Ann Wood, of Butternuts, N. Y., Sept. 11, 1846. They had *four* children:

(a) Laselle Benjamin[8], b. Jan. 23, 1849, at Otego, N. Y.; m. Ettie Hopkins at Otego, N. Y., Sept. 11, 1872. They had *one* child: Mary, b. Dec. 30, 1875.

(b) George Madison[8], b. Feb. 22, 1851; m. Eugenia Stebbins at Butternuts, N. Y., Oct., 1874. They had *one* child: Ralph, b. Aug. 12, 1876.

(c) James Albert[8], b. Mar. 4, 1857, at Otego, N. Y.; m. Lucie Baker at Lawrence, N. Y., May 30, 1883. They had *one* child: Lena, b. June 28, 1884.

(d) Flora Elizabeth[8], b. Oct. 12, 1860; d. Aug. 1, 1863.

viii. Andrew Marcellus[7], b. Feb. 5, 1828, at Otego, N. Y. (Briar Creek), d. Oct. 31, 1900; m. Sept. 15, 1850, in Town of Butternuts, Opp. South New Berlin, N. Y., to Ambrosia Jane Sargent, dau. of John and Isabelle (Jacox) Sergeant, b. Jan. 30, 1827; lived at Norwich, Chenango Co., N. Y. They had *two* children.

(a) Ambrose Marcellus[8], b. May 23, 1851, at Mt. Upton, N. Y.; m. Carrie A. McNitt of Norwich, N. Y., 1873. She d. May 11, 1875. *No* children. He m. again Julia A. Hinman, dau. of Munson and Augusta (Barker) Hinman, of Hallock, Peoria Co., Ill., Jan. 1, 1877. She was b. Apr. 18, 1854. They had *ten* children:

(1) Alice[9], b. Oct. 28, 1877, m. Harry Leach, Apr. 11, 1903.
(2) Bertrand[9], b. Jan. 18, 1880.
(3) Myra[9], b. Nov. 6, 1881.
(4) Julia Eva[9], b. Aug. 22, 1884.
(5) Allen Marion[9], b. June 6, 1886, d. Dec. 18, 1897.
(6) Grace Augusta[9], b. Feb. 6, 1888.
(7) Robert Sergent[9], b. Apr. 26, 1890.
(8) Gertrude[9], b. May 8, 1894.
(9) Ruth[9], b. June 15, 1896.
(10) Dorothy[9], b. Feb. 2, 1899.

Ambrose Marcellus was for several years a druggist and school teacher at Norwich, N. Y.; from 1879–1893 a farmer at Hallock, Ill., and from 1896 to date an inspector and surveyor in the Public Works Department, State of New York.

(b) John Cassan[8], b. June 4, 1860, at Norwich, N. Y., m. Ginevra Caroline Westlake, June 29, 1886, at Ironton, Lawrence Co., Ohio. She was b. Dec. 25, 1866, at Gallipolis, Ohio, and was the dau. of Thomas R. and Annar Eliza (Bird). Westlake. They had *four* children:

(1) Luella Ambrosia[9], b. Sept. 17, 1888
(2) Annar Marie[9], b. Sept. 9, 1890
(3) Justin Federal[9], b. Sept. 26, 1893.
(4) Constance Elaine[9], b. Jan. 9, 1895.

John Cassan was a mechanic and civil engineer, which latter vocation he followed from 1880–1897, when he began the practice of law in the City of New York, where he occupied the position of Assistant Corporation Counsel of the City from 1900–1904. In 1882 he graduated from Cornell University; in 1887, from Norwich University, Vt.; and in 1891, from the Harvard Law School. In 1886–1887 he was Captain of Artillery, Vermont National Guard; 1896–1897, engineer, Erie Canal Improvement; 1887–1894, instructor and assistant professor of engineering, Harvard University; 1894–1895, associate editor, "Railroad Gazette." He is also the author of several books on engineering, law and the useful arts, including a dictionary of railroad terms.

iv. Harriet Caroline[7], b. July 4, 1830; d. Jan. 10, 1892; m. Hiram S. Wait, Mar. 19, 1877, he was born Dec. 21, 1841. They lived at Sand Hill, N. Y. They had *no* children.

x. Ezra J.[7], b. Aug. 11, 1833; m. Manetta E. Flagg, at Norwich, N. Y., he d. Nov. 20, 1861. They had *two* children:

(a) William Ezra[8], b. Dec. 24, 1857, m. Lydia A. Prentiss, Nov. 30, 1881, at Hallock, Peoria Co., Ill. They had *nine* children:

(1) Vira P.[9], b. Feb. 1, 1883, at Forrest, Ill.; d. Feb. 13, 1891.
(2) Rexford Ezra[9], b. Apr. 28, 1885.
(3) Harriet Catherine[9], b. July 4, 1887.
(4) Orra A.[9], b. Feb. 15, 1889.
(5) Wilberta Estell[9], b. Jan. 19, 1891.
(6) Bertha Gertrude[9], b. Apr. 9, 1894.
(7) Guy William[9], b. Dec. 9, 1895.
(8) Ilion Bernita[9], b. Apr. 8, 1898.
(9) William E.[9], b. Dec. 26, 1901, d. Aug. 30, 1903.

(b) Orra Hughson[8], b. Oct. 9, 1859, m. Libbie Ross at South Plymouth, Chenango Co., N. Y., Dec. 25, 1880. She was b. at Plymouth, Mar. 16, 1858. They had *two* children:

(1) William A., b. Mar. 25, 1883.
(2) Edward R., b. Oct. 12, 1887. They lived at Norwich, N. Y.

6. Elsie[6] (or Alice[6]), b. Mar. 13, 1787 (Mar. 18, 1788), at Dartmouth, Mass.; d. Dec. 9, 1856, at Sand Hill, N. Y.; m. June 26, 1808, at Saratoga, N. Y., to Abraham Post; b. Oct. 5, 1781; d. Dec. 26, 1856, at Sand Hill, N. Y. They had *eleven* children: Willis, b. Mar. 14, 1809; d. Mar. 13, 1874; Moses, S., b. Aug. 21, 1810; d. Mar. 10, 1860; Allen, b. June 2, 1812; d. infant; Phebe, b. May 4, 1813; d. Jan. 28, 1889; Louisa, b. June 24, 1815; d. Jan. 5, 1878; Amy,

b. June 26, 1817; d. Sept. 29, 1897; Stephen, b. Sept. 4, 1819; d. Jan. 23, 1901; Martha, b. Oct. 21, 1821; d. Apr. 21, 1895; Lemuel, b. Jan. 25, 1823; d. Apr. 18, 1895; Edna, b. Apr. 29, 1826; d. Nov. 28, 1895; Akins, b. Nov. 10, 1828; d. Feb. 20, 1899.

7. JUDITH[6], b. Dec. 17, 1788 (Dec. 15, 1789), at Dartmouth, Mass.; d. 1872, at Ballston Spa., Saratoga Co., N. Y. She married Allen Smith; b. Mar. 18, 1781, and d. 1863, at Quaker Springs, N. Y. They had *twelve* children: Samuel W., b. July 25, 1808; Rebecca, b. 26, 1810; Henry, b. Aug. 7, 1812; Allen, b. Dec. 20, 1813; William, b. Apr. 11, 1815; Sally, b. Mar. 20, 1818; Phebe, b. Mar. 26, 1819; Charles E., b. Mar. 29, 1821; Anthony, b. Sept. 26, 1823; Clark, b. Feb. 14, 1825; Daniel, b. Sept. 11, 1827; Margaret, b. Aug. 11, 1829.

8. PHEBE[6], b. Mar. 9, 1790; lived at or near Lockport, N. Y.; m. Daniel Shaw.

9. AHIJAH[6], b. Jan. 22 or 29, 1791-2, at Dartmouth, Mass.; d. Jan. 28, 1871, at Reading, Schuyler County, N. Y., where he is buried in Lake Road Cemetery; m. Hannah Calvert, Mar. 7, 1815, and she d. Feb. 29, 1888. They had *five* children.

i. PHEBE[7], b. Jan. 4, 1816, d. Aug. 26, 1890; m. Jan. 4, 1838, at Watkins, N. Y., to Aaron Parish and they lived at Watkins, N. Y. They had *two* children:
(a) Hannah Elizabeth, b. May 2, 1839, d. Mar. 21, 1901.
(b) Aaron N., b. May 19, 1841, d. Jan. 4, 1885.

ii. NANCY[7], b. Sept. 22, 1818; d. Apr, 19, 1892; m. Feb. 27, 1840, to Frederick Stamp, and they went to Paxton, Ill. They had *two* children:
(a) Charles, b. Oct. 14, 1841, d. Sept. 10, 1899.
(b) George W., b. Dec. 8, 1868.

iii. HENRY[7], b. Oct. 19, 1820, at Reading, N. Y.; lived at Reading, Schuyler County, N. Y.; d. Nov. 13, 1894; he m. Hannah Marice Case, 1852, she d. Apr. 13, 1885. They had *one* child:
(a) De Ett, b. June 10, 1859, who lived at Reading. She m. John Abrams, Oct. 7, 1885; lived near Reading Center, N. Y.

iv. EBENEZER, b. Feb. 26, 1823, at Reading, N. Y.; lived at Clarence, Ford County, Ill.; he m. Louisa M. Stamp, at Newfield, N. Y.; she d. Dec. 10, 1893, buried at Rankine, Ill. They had *two* children:
(a) Elbert A., b. May 13, 1850, has *two* children:
(1) Mable A., b. May 8, 1883.
(2) Ida L., b. Sept. 13, 1886.
(b) Adrian D., b. Mar. 10, 1858.

v. MARGARET, b. Dec. 6, 1830, unmarried.
vi. SARAH, b. Oct. 20, 1833, unmarried.

10. SARAH (or Sally)[6], b. Sept. 3, 1793; d. 18 ; m. William Wilbur; he was b. June 30, 1789, at (Sand Hill) Unadilla, N. Y. They had *seven* children: Annie, b. 1815, d. 1900; Lemuel, b. 1818, d. 1892; William, b. 1822, d. 1896; Betsy, b. 1824; Abigail, b. 1826, d. 1867; David, b. 1829; Buel, b. 1831.

11. LUCRETIA[6], b. Oct. 29, 1796, lived at Cohoes, N. Y.; m. Jan. 22, 1815. She m. John Vincent, b. Aug. 26, 1783. They lived at Cohoes, N. Y., and they had *ten* children: Julia Ann, Cynthia, Jonathan, Edward H., Judith, Lot H., Amy H., Norman D., Herman E., George H. and Mary F. (adopted). Cynthia Vincent, m. Ira Fisher Kilmer, of Washington County, New York, and they had children: Juliet Kilmer, b. Sept. 22, 1847; John Henry Kilmer, b. Jan. 22, 1849; Helen Maud Kilmer[1], b. Aug. 4, 1860. John Henry Kilmer, m. Pyrena Baldwin, Jan. 2, 1877, and they had children: Otis Willis Kilmer, b. Feb. 2, 1878; Helen Maud Kilmer[2], b. Aug. 2, 1882; Mae Baldwin Kilmer, b. Mar. 17, 1891. Helen Maud[1], m. John R. Stanton, of New York City.

12. LEMUEL[6], b. Jan. 3, or 13, 1798, and lived at Dix, Schuyler Co., N. Y.; d. Jan. 13, 1888, at Dix, and is buried at Reading, Lake Road Cemetery. He m. Prudence Western, who d. 1833, and is buried at Reading, N. Y., Lake Road Cemetery. They had *three* children.

i. DANIEL.
ii. JANE (or JENNIE).
iii. ORRILA, m. Chas. Wilber, and lived at Moreland, Schuyler Co., Dix Township, N. Y.

NOTE.—For records of the early descendants of Marshall Richard Wayte, of Boston, see N. E. HISTORY AND GEN REGISTER FOR OCT., 1877; THE WAITE FAMILY, OF BOSTON, MASS., by Henry E. Waite, of West Newton, Mass.; TEN GENERATIONS in New England, by Henry E. Waite of West Newton, Mass. (1884).

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GENERATIONS, DARTMOUTH (MASS.) FAMILY.

I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII.	IX.
						Jesse, 1808–1828.		
						Harman, 1811–1876.		
	Samuel, 1640–1694.					James, 1813–1876.		
	Joseph, 1665.				Abigail, 1775–1831.	John, 1816–1876.		
	Benjamin, 1641–1704.	Thomas, 1683– .			Ebenezer, 1777–1844.	Reuben, 1818–1890.		
	Thomas, 164 –1733.	Eleanor, 1688– .		Samuel, 1748–1780.	Amy, 1780–1852.	Mary E. 1821– .		Luella A., 1888– .
	Jeremiah, –1677.	Benjamin, 1690–1772.		Henry, 1750– .	Samuel, 1782– .	Ebenezer F. 1824–1897.	Ambrose M., 1851– .	Annar Marie, 1890– .
THOMAS, 1601–1677, Ports-mouth, Rhode Island.	REUBEN, –1707.	JOSEPH, 1693–1774.	SAMUEL, 1716– .	DANIEL, 1753–1829.	JAMES, 1784–1855.	ANDREW M. 1828–1900.	JOHN CASSAN, 1860– .	JUSTIN F., 1893– .
	Mary, –1713.	Abigail, 1693– .	Stephen, –1778.	Roba (?).	Elsie, 1787–1856.	Harriet, 1830–1892.		Constance E., 1895– .
		Reuben, 1695– .	Alice.		Judith, 1788–1863.	Ezra, 1833–1861.		
		Tabitha, 1695–1757.	Marcy.		Phebe. 1790– .			
		Jeremiah, 1698–1754.	Elizabeth.		Abijah, 1791–1881.			
			Hannah.		Sarah, 1793– .			
			Keziah.		Lucretia, 1796– .			
			Mary, 1718–.		Lemuel, 1798–1888.			

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Note by H. Hubbard of Plattsburgh N.Y., now of Washington D.C.

There was a John Wait living on a farm in the Town of Peru as early as 1800 and another by the name of "Ned" (probably Edward) – I think they died as early as 1850, for I do not recall them any later –

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